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Name **ROBIN WHALLEY**
Address **233 HAVEN ROAD.**
Phone **5469535**

Organisation represented (if applicable)
Email **233havenroad@gmail.com**

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*
Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

I Support the Bank Lane Laneway Replacement proposal.

The lane provides an essential entrance to the village market and is not up to standard.

Actually I think we should spend a little more and have an entrance much like the Marché Bastille in Paris

It is a very important historic street and should be celebrated as such.

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

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Name LELIE SISE Organisation represented (if any) _____
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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to speak.*
Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft Annual Plan

I believe the Bank Lane canopy replacement is extremely important as this lane is the main thoroughfare between Trafalgar Street and Montgomerie Square. It has certainly deteriorated which impacts negatively on the businesses adjacent to it as well as the city of Nelson.

Optional demographic information - your answers to the following questions would provide help. The questions are optional and your responses will be publicly distributed to those who review the submission.

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Have you made a submission before? Yes No

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Name Glen James Organisation represented (if applicable) Glen James Jewellers
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Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

The current "Bank Lane" has become dated with the dark bricks & the faded and damaged canopy. To keep a city looking good, clean and fresh. Images need to be kept up to date throughout the city. New signs, clean streets, seating, & even classy rubbish bins are simple things that can help any city look clean & make people who come here want to be here. If a city has a modern smart look then people will feel also modern & smart and with this makes people happy & we all like to be happy. I believe any visual upgrades to any city buildings or structures are a must for Nelson and can only be a positive step in the direction Nelson needs to be heading. A school uniform always look better than trackies also as a crisp apple to a flowery one. *Please attach additional sheets if needed.*

The canopy I believe needs to be upgraded.

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Your name

Maren Harford

Organisation represented (if applicable)

Your address

12 Werneth Ridge Atawhai

Your phone number

545 0705

Your email address

maren@harford.de

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Your submission

I would like to express my support for the Bank Lane upgrade. Replacing the canopy would hugely improve the lane which is used frequently, especially on Saturdays to go from the market to Trafalgar Street.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Female

Have you made a submission before?

No

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Name PETER MARK WATKINS Organisation represented (if applicable)
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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*
 Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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I WISH TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED \$60,000 UPGRADE OF BANK LANE CANOPY.

TRAFALGAR ST AND THE SATURDAY MARKET ARE CRUCIAL TO THE CHARACTER OF NELSON — BOTH FOR LOCALS AND TOURISTS.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS THOROUGHFARE IS ATTRACTIVE, EFFICIENT AND SAFE.

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

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Name R. BLACKBEARD + I. BLACKBEARD Organisation represented (if applicable) ... CAT 9
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Phone 5444917 Email rob.blackbeard@xtra.co.nz

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We would like to strongly support the proposal to contribute towards the upgrade of the canopy over bank here in Nelson. This is a very busy thoroughfare and currently is poorly lit & very tatty looking. It is advertised to be on Central City.
Yours sincerely
R.T. Blackbeard

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Name Hermann & Christa Mueller
 Address 71 Marahau Valley Rd., RD2 Matukura
 Phone 03-527824 Email info@buena-vista.co.nz

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*
 Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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To whom it may concern!

We are part of a syndicate which owns the 218 Trafalgar St. building.

The Park Lane clearly needs an upgrade and we would love to secure the funding from the annual NCC draft plan of 60,000.- \$ + GST towards this project.

With regards
C. & H. Miller

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

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Your name

Christine & Craig Aston

Organisation represented (if applicable)

Your address

D'Urville Island, RD 3, French Pass, Rai Valley

Your phone number

5765330

Your email address

astonfamily@actrix.co.nz

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

We both fully support the allocated funding towards the Bank Lane Canopy upgrade. The Lane is an important link between Trafalgar St and Montgomery Carpark. At the moment it is dark, dingy and in a sad stage of repairs - definitely needing to be upgraded. A canopy is needed that is more modern - allows in more light and is easier to clean making the lane more inviting. Your allocation of funds to this project can only be viewed as a positive thing for Nelson.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Female

Have you made a submission before?

No

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Name Chris PRATTLEY Organisation represented (if applicable) RICHMOND NELSON 2020
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Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Re: Bank Lane Canopy Upgrade

Chris & Mandy Prattley are in full support of the submission proposal to upgrade the Bank Lane canopy between Trafalgar St & Montgomery Carpark.

The existing structure is both unerghty and in urgent need of replacement.

Charles A. Prattley

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

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Please tell us what you think.

Please type or print clearly. Remember to read the submission writing guidelines (over) before starting.

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Name Mrs Sybil Bonnington

Daytime phone 545 1490

Address 2/32 Westney Tee, Marybank 14 APR 2014

Organisation represented (if applicable) NELSON CITY COUNCIL
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Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission? YES NO # of pages

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Public information

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The consultation/proposal my submission relates to:

My submission is:

Lewis Stanton

I suggest the Council make a bylaw, which would make it easier to deal with Lewis Stanton. I think it is appalling that he can get away, with parking his horse & cart in a public area, taking up at least two car parks, and ignoring all fines, and thumbing ~~the~~ his nose at all Council officers.

The horse, poor thing, is another matter, and the S.P.C.A should deal with it.

Having the above parked in the street does nothing to enhance the city, and I think you & the police should be able to remove him.

Date 6.4.14 Signature S. J. Bonnington

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Name BOB TOEFFER Organisation represented (if applicable) NELSON
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Phone 546 8471 Email BOB@HANAFINS.CO.NZ

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*
Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BANK LAKE CANOPY REPLACEMENT INCLUDED. I WAS SURPRISED THIS WAS NOT DONE WHEN BURTON CARPARK ENTRYWAYS WERE UPGRADED. THIS IS THE WALKWAY FROM THE MAIN CARPARK TO TRAFALGAR ST AND TO 4 FROM THE MARKET. IT WOULD BE USED BY MOST TOURISTS AND VISITORS TO NELSON. IT IS NOT ONLY A DISCOMFORT BUT A HAZARD. THE PERSPEX CANOPY IS NOT STABLE - WALK DOWN IT IN A STRONG WIND. CSH WOULD CONSIDER IT A HAZARD AND AS THE WALKWAY IS CLOSED A ROAD THE COUNCIL SHOULD BE WORRIED ABOUT PEOPLES SAFETY

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Name Christine + Murray Cook Organisation represented (if applicable) _____
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Phone 5423140 Email Christine.cook@raywhite.com

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Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Bank Lane Canopy Upgrade

We confirm our support of the proposal.

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

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Name D. Jacobson Organisation represented (if applicable) _____
Address 1/- Faraday Rise
Phone Richmond Email dandmjacobson@gmail.com

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Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

I support the refurbishment of the Bank Lane
Canopy. This improvement is surely an important
component of a progressive improvement strategy for
the CBD. It is an important link between
2 well used public areas

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Name Nelson Osteopathic Clinic Organisation represented (if applicable) _____
Address 218 Trafalgar St Nelson _____
Phone 5788419 Email nelsonyte@gmail.com

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Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Re: Bank Lane Canopy Replacement

The canopy needed replacing 10 years ago - has now deteriorated to such an extent that it is not only a very ugly feature of central Nelson used regularly by tourists to the Nelson Market, but it poses a risk to the public at times of strong winds. Several pieces of the canopy have blown off into the lane, one piece narrowly missing a young mother with her child in a pushchair.

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

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Name N.C. MACE Organisation represented (if applicable) _____
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Phone 5481777 Email ncmace@xtra.co.nz

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Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

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Re Discount for "SUIPs": I support & welcome the proposal that additional SUIPs charges for commercial properties for wastewater be reduced by 75%.

Do NOT support proposed increase to UFGC for these SUIPs. A lot of these small tenancies are already struggling. Would hope that these can be reduced in a similar manner to the waste water charges.

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Your name

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Organisation represented (if applicable)

TPPA. Nelsonaction

Your address

129a Waimea Rd Nelson

Your phone number

022-1942-516

Your email address

graemebegood@gamil.com

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Yes

Your submission

Submission to video council debates

I make this submission on the grounds that the 2000 votes that I received while campaigning in the last council elections shows that putting a video camera in council chambers to record council debates and to have those debates posted on the council website so that the ratepayers may participate more fully and at their convenience in council decisions has support from a wide range of people within our community.

Although this is would be a passive way for people to participate in council the general consensus among people I have discussed this idea with is that ratepayers would take more interest in council decisions as it would be more accessible to the public.

The debates should be uncut or censored in any way but should be edited under general headings to make it easier for the people to find & view the debates that interest them.

This is neither a new nor groundbreaking idea and should be viewed as a 21st century way of bringing our council closer to the people and further enhancing our local democracy.

Thank you for your time in considering this submission.

Graeme O'Brien

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Male

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Yes

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Your name

Michael Borden

Organisation represented (if applicable)

Your address

po box 20 Nelson 7040

Your phone number

0275280308

Your email address

vastuved@gmail.com

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Yes

Your submission

I wish to ask council that a video camera be placed in council chambers to record council debates and to have those debates posted on the council website uncut or censored but that the videos should be edited under general headings to make it easier for me to find & view the debates that I feel are relevant to me

Due to work and family commitments it is impossible for me to attend council debates at 9am and I feel that I am being unfairly disadvantaged compared to those that do not have these commitments and can participate more fully in council debates and proceedings.

Thank you for your time in considering this submission.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

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Your name

Virginia Green

Organisation represented (if applicable)

Your address

187 Kawai St, Nelson

Your phone number

Your email address

vgreen@vividworld.biz

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Yes

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Due to work and family commitments it is impossible for me to attend council debates at 9am and I feel that I am being unfairly disadvantaged compared to those that do not have these commitments and can participate more fully in council debates and proceedings.

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GROUP SUBMISSIONS ON 2014/15 ANNUAL PLAN AND RELATED ISSUES

On behalf of the parties listed below we have been instructed to lodge the attached submissions on the Annual Plan 2014/15 related to the quantum of development levies and financial contributions and associated matters relating to subdivision and land development.

Proposals may require some policy determination outside the annual planning process aimed at reducing land development and holding costs and affordable housing.

The parties wish to be heard at Nelson at a time the Council nominates.

Yours faithfully
DAVIS OGILVIE AND PARTNERS LTD

TONY ALLEY
Senior Associate

Email: nelson@do.co.nz

Tasman Heights Ltd

Tresillian Heights Ltd

Solitaire Investments Ltd

Suffolk Heights Ltd

Plus 5 others

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The Mayor and Councillors

SUBMISSION ON NCC ANNUAL PLAN

We the Land Development Companies, listed in the covering letter, make this submission on the Council's Development Levies and Financial Contributions to reserves.

Most Councils including yours see benefits in the provision of affordable housing but have yet to provide any tangible means of achieving this end.

The housing market is short of titled sections and has been for some time so there is a necessity to speed up consent processes. Because of high development costs there is a need to defer or minimise costs if possible.

As submitters with considerable experience in Land Development we offer the following solutions that may in part provide for more affordable housing through Resource Management Rules and reduced financial contributions for subdivision and development.

- 1 There is a need to reduce the complexity of district plan rules for multi unit housing (which may include connected units or stand alone units) and by reducing or eliminating the need to publicly notify such applications.

We suggest some or more simplified rules as permitted activities as follows:-

- Maximum site coverage set at 50% for sites greater than 400m² and 60% for sites less than 400m².
- Daylight admission controls are to be met to land adjoining the development site.
- Maximum height rules are met.
- Each unit is to be provided with a living court where the land available to it has a net area of less than 300m².
- A front yard of say 4m deep is provided for street scape purposes and that not more than 30% of that yard may be covered by buildings and no closer than 1.5m to the front boundary
- Only one carpark be required on any site which has less than 400m² net area available to it.
- Others by discussion and agreement with our Sector.

There seems there is undue concern in councils that to make controls easier, quality may suffer or slums might develop.

The definition of a slum is crowded makeshift housing in areas where the population is denied adequate income for daily living.

As developers, we erect dwellings and units that will readily sell in the market place. If they do not, some developers would fail financially. All over the world people live in higher density housing and there is reason that more medium density housing will meet changing expectations and experiences in our communities. Rest homes and apartments have moved to fill some of this need but for some elderly there is a lack of supply at fair prices and for young families similar dwellings may well provide the first step on the property ladder.

2 Another solution is the main purpose of this submission.

Councils Development Levies and Financial Contributions are becoming too high and are a significant part of the cost of any land subdivision or development involving more than 1 unit per site.

The argument by Councils is that new development should pay the costs of the future provision or upgrading of services to meet the needs of that growth; conversely that existing ratepayers should not have to bear these costs.

What seems to be forgotten is that all the existing ratepayers have the benefit of services that have been provided by their predecessors and that the new ratepayers will be adding to the rating base from the time they start paying rates and will be contributing along with everyone else for any renewal or upgrading of services in the developed areas. Arguably they will be paying twice; once through development levies and once with their annual rate payments on loans already in place for provision of services.

We acknowledge that some contributions should be levied but we think these should be about half of the current levels to encourage more affordable housing and that services levies should be related to a proportion of the valuation of the lot or land area as is done for Reserves and Community Services Levies based on a percentage of that value.

This will also more fairly represent contributions for lower valued lots.

As a starting point we ask that financial contributions for services and for reserves and community services be set at 3% each of the market value for the lot or land area. Where development levies have been paid at time of subdivision no development levies should be sought by the Council unless a building permit seeks more than 1 HUD for any lot. There should be no double dipping in this process.

The Council's Loan indebtedness has been criticised in many areas but if this is to provide for renewal or provision of services as required for the district this is a fairer way of spreading the capital costs of any project that has ongoing benefits for the present and future residents of the district rather than being imposed on new residents of subdivided land.

3 Conclusion

While this is a wide ranging submission it can be seen as a starting point that will provide a fairer funding system for future assets and lower costs and more certainty in obtaining resource consent for denser housing types.

In many respects the ability to charge development levies or financial contributions was seen to be the fatted calf. However the non-selectivity of policy has had adverse effect on the ability to pay to the point that housing and the availability of cheaper allotments is affecting the lower income sectors of society including young families and the elderly. This is a factor in the reducing home ownership rates in our communities.

The current levels of financial and development contributions also have the effect of keeping potentially lower value land (because of topography, lack of sea views and some shading issues) from being developed due to marginal economics of developing such land (high earthworks and development costs verses lower land value) and with development levies similar to land with the highest value.

This in itself is forcing more development to the flat land at Richmond as the supply of such land reaches exhaustion in Nelson.

Essentially there is the need to provide a wider variety of housing to allow for reasonable choice and not confined to the detached suburban dwelling that dominates the market.

We note that Nelson City Council is reducing or not charging Development Levies for organisations who are providing Lower Cost Community Housing. This benefit is also needed for any other lower cost housing in our communities.

We think it is now appropriate, especially with the Government raising concerns and possibly imposing solutions on Local Government for development levies, for the Council to review its current policy practices, especially towards more affordable housing.

It is the enterprise and exposure to risk by us land owners and developers who have provided for the growth and housing needs of our communities.

We should not be seen as the easy target of the Council for meeting public costs of this ongoing development because all the community benefits from our activities. At the end of the day the new ratepayers will pay their way for the community development. With the suggestions in this submission we will be in a better position to manage risk of our developments and ultimately provide for more variation of housing types and more stability in land and housing values.

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The Mayor & Councillors
Nelson City Council

**DEFERRED PAYMENTS ON DEVELOPMENT LEVIES AND RATES
FOR NEW ALLOTMENTS**

We developers listed in the covering letter ask that the following matters are considered as a means of reducing the direct cost of land development and minimising risk of carrying out land development.

The housing market is short of titled sections and has been for some time so there is a necessity to speed up consent processes. Because of high development costs there is a need to defer or minimise costs if possible.

We developers face the risk of placing developed land (subdivided and or built development), into the property market normally to keep up with or anticipate market conditions.

However there are two matters at the concluding stages of carrying out a subdivision which needlessly add to developers' costs.

Normally all financial contributions and development levies must be paid before the Council will issue a Section 224(c) Resource Management Act completion certificate for any subdivision or its approved stages.

These charges are normally met from borrowed capital which incurs interest charges until lots have been sold to enable capital repayments to be made.

To minimise these costs we ask that the Councils make policy decisions to allow deferment of these payments until there is a sale of each individual allotment to a third party. This would only apply for developments of a minimum of say 5 sections or more.

The security for such payments could be a caveat in favour of the Council on each lot which will only be discharged when the development and financial contributions have been paid on each individual lot but only for a maximum period of 3 years when all outstanding payments are to be made.

Tasman District Council has a policy that allows deferment of payments subject to bank bond and for payment of interest at the current bank rate plus 2%.

This policy provides no benefit to the developer who would be paying less interest on capital borrowed for the subdivision and having to meet increased legal costs.

Another matter of concern is that developers are required to pay rates on the individual allotments after the issue of separate titles following the 224c approval stage.

We also request that the Council defers such rate payments until the land is sold to a third party and when the real demand for services provided by rating commences. Again these payments will generally be met by borrowed capital which could be avoided if this concession is allowed. The commencement of rate payments could be made to commence with the release of the caveats referred to above.

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Until lots are sold there are no services required which are funded by rates. Developers are required to maintain any services which vest in the Council for a period of two years and enter into a cash bond for 2% of the cost of the services vested in the Council.

If the developer defaults on any repair the bond will bear that cost eliminating any risk to the Council and the need for any rate payments in the period it takes to sell lots.

We know that land values are mostly set by what the market is prepared to pay. By the same token developers will not generally sell land unless they obtain reasonable return for their endeavours.

It is the developers in taking market risks that has enabled the development of our towns and cities to meet demand however this is generated.

Any means of minimising the exposure of developers to risk should enable land to be placed on the market at a more affordable rate and help stabilise market values and have available more titled sections for choice by buyers than is currently available.

We look forward to the Councils favourable consideration of these requests.

We do wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Bev Mcshea

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This would enable all interested residents to participate in council debates and proceedings regardless of other commitments during this time.

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BANK LANE CANOPY REPLACEMENT.

THE BANK LANE CANOPY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED
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AS LANE LEASE HOLDERS, WE SUPPORT
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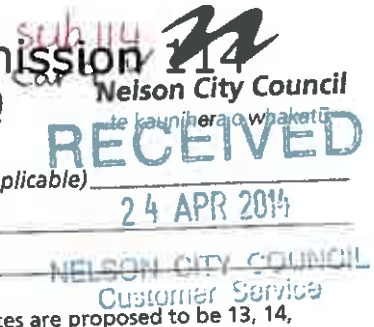
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That the annual general charges e Waste Water charge be charge to Motels until like they are charge to some multi residential units and commercial properties. As motels properties only pay one WWC. e A.G.C. this only cover the house or Manger home for the properties. This would also make it easy as some Motel rent out until for residential use.

Where properties owner have found loop holes not to pay rates as per the rules. Property like 218 Trafalgar St Mid City Motels have money to found the loop holes but not the money to by rates. The rules be reward to so all properties owner are charge the same rates.

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The waste water charge to commercial properties should stay the same and not be reduction by 75%. As residential have to pay the full amount.

Where privately own properties are lease or rented to church that rates be apply to these properties. As some land owner in some cases are making large amount of money out of these properties. and they pay no rates.

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I have been a business owner in Nelson since 2000 and have seen many changes over the last 14 years. Bank Lane is one of them - it has gone from a colourful, attractive asset to the City to a dingy, sometimes shabby, ill-lit & tatty disgrace. I currently own and operate the Blink Micro Cafe in Bank Lane, and despite my (expensive) attempts to brighten & lighten the area with a small canopy, lights & plants, I see my customer numbers dwindling as the place becomes less attractive to the residents of & visitors to Nelson.

I strongly urge you to continue to support the Bank Lane Canopy replacement project. That, together with the continued investment of other business owners will ensure that area attracts shoppers & visitors & becomes a welcoming & inviting hub of the city.

Please!
Thankyou Joel Smith

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From: Te Tau Ihu Sustainability Forum

In June of last year Nelson City Council released *Nelson 2060*. This was the culmination of 3 years of unprecedented consultation with the Nelson community about a shared long-term vision and future direction for a more sustainable Nelson. NCC took the lead and the community got in behind the project. Appendix 1 outlines some of the initiatives taken by NCC in the process. The document lists 10 goals as priorities for action to move us towards the vision. This was followed up by an implementation plan. A number of Council projects and on-going activities in the draft Annual Plan have now taken their lead from *Nelson 2060*. Council's response to community concerns about the health of the Maitai River and the proposed enhancement initiatives are also in line with the strategy. The draft Annual Plan refers to *Nelson 2060* however there is no specific financial or personnel commitment in the plan to carry the strategy forward despite the effort which has gone into developing the strategy to date. There is statement in the draft plan by Council "to ensure that these goals and sustainability principles are integrated into the decisions we make about our activities" but the Te Tau Ihu Sustainability Forum believes a greater and more open commitment is required on the part of Council including monitoring progress towards achieving these goals.

The Te Tau Ihu Sustainability Forum holds the sustainability theme at its core. It is made up of a diverse group of 'big picture' thinkers who are involved in bringing the economic, social, cultural and environmental dimensions of sustainability together. The objectives of the Sustainability Forum are outlined in Appendix 2. The forum convenes and networks on a regular basis. Participants come from a broad range of sectors across the top of the South Island including representatives from Council, and the scientific, business and resource management communities. Participants contribute to the sustainability kōrero as well as hearing from others who are working on projects in the sustainable development field. Appendix 3 lists participants who have contributed to the forum.

The Sustainability Forum acknowledges the appointment of four NCC Councillors to the forum. The forum would like to offer assistance to the Nelson City Council in fostering and encouraging community initiatives to further the *Nelson 2060* vision, goals and practical projects. Within the forum we have the skill set to undertake tasks such as monitoring the progress of *Nelson 2060*, producing an annual report highlighting achievements, and determining what additional policy or sustainability initiatives may be useful in helping achieve some of the goals. The Sustainability Forum's focus and effectiveness would be greatly improved if the Nelson City Council was able to support our organised and positive energy in the following ways.

1. Commit council staff and resources to maintaining an interface between NCC and the Sustainability Forum as representatives of the sustainable development community in Nelson.
2. Task the forum with specific roles and responsibilities including the provision of an annual report on the progress of *Nelson 2060* and other tasks including those outlined above.
3. Provide funding to support a facilitator, secretarial services and other minor costs associated with the initiatives above.

We wish to be heard at a hearing in support of our written submission

Yours sincerely,

Ian Challenger, Doug Craig, Bruce Gilkison, Carolyn Hughes, Ed Kiddle, John Moore, Richard Oswald, Derek Shaw and Dean Walker on behalf of Te Tau Ihu Sustainability Forum

Appendix 1: Initiatives taken by NCC in relation to the *Nelson 2060* process

The *Nelson 2060* process involved three distinct initiatives which have been described as: *The invitation*, *Structuring the process* and *Community visioning* (From Cawthron Report No 2439, "Engagement in a Learning Culture: A Sustainability Strategy Case Study", January 2014, by Marg O'Brien).

1. The invitation - A resident's survey in 2010 which included questions to the Nelson community on sustainability and the environment.
2. Structuring the process - A Mayoral Taskforce was established in March 2011 involving a range of business and community leaders and work-shopped a series of sustainability themes.
3. Community visioning - Later in 2011 Council engaged a facilitator to run a series of workshops with a broad range sectors in the community about sustainability and their vision for Nelson. These included:
 - a. four community workshops
 - b. a workshop with the Sustainability Forum
 - c. a hui at Whakatu Marae
 - d. a business workshop as part of a business conference
 - e. four secondary school workshops
 - f. a workshop with the Youth Council
 - g. a workshop with recent migrants
 - h. a workshop with representatives of disabled people.

Appendix 2: Objectives of the Te Tau Ihu Sustainability Forum

The objectives of the Te Tau Ihu Sustainability Forum are:

1. To develop strong relationships between key regional players and to foster collaboration on local initiatives.
2. To look for opportunities to maximise collective effort on sustainability actions, including advocacy and support.
3. To enhance communication with the community about sustainability issues through co-ordination between Forum members.
4. To encourage sustainable actions and outcomes in the wider community, via participating organisations.
5. To involve a broad range of people in sustainability actions and outcomes.
6. To be informed of worldwide trends and best practice internationally.
7. To strategically plan and prioritise actions, and access funding for agreed actions.
8. To coordinate input into plans and strategies, e.g. Long Term Council Community Plans (LTCCPs)
9. To monitor the effectiveness of sustainability actions in Nelson.
10. To review the purpose and effectiveness of the Forum on an ongoing basis.

From Cawthron Report No. 2360 "Social Networks for Sustainable Settlements: A Case Study," October 2013, by Mark Newton and Marg O'Brien. (Appendix 1, page 42)

Appendix 3: Participants in the Te Tau Ihu Sustainability Forum

“The regional Sustainability Forum attracts participants from many parts of the region to share learning and deliberate about sustainability. Each participant represents a network, a cluster of activity, or an agency that is addressing issues of sustainability” (O’Brien, 2013).

Entities that have participated in the forum include;

- **Local authorities:** Nelson City Council, Tasman District Council, Marlborough District Council, and the Kaikoura District Council;
- **Lead agencies:** Nelson Tasman Economic Development Agency, Chamber of Commerce, Nelson Tasman Tourism and the Sustainable Business Network;
- **Government Organisations:** Nelson Marlborough DHB and the Department of Conservation;
- **Scientific Research Institutes:** Cawthron Institute and the Ecologic Foundation;
- **Businesses:** Nelmac, Business Development Company, Nelson Port, Eden Foundation, the Green Xchange, Solar City Ltd., Offset the Rest, Meridian Energy, Via Strada, various consultants/advisers on sustainability and energy efficiency etc. issues;
- **Iwi organisations:** Tiakina te Taiao
- **Community organisations:** Victory Community Health, Forest & Bird, Nelson Environment Centre, the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary, Waimarama Gardens, and Community Energy Network;
- **Educational organisations:** Nelson Marlborough Institutes of Technology, Canterbury University/ Education for Sustainability, Enviroschools, and Lincoln University.

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Due to work and family commitments it is impossible for me to attend council debates at 9am and I feel that I am being unfairly disadvantaged compared to those that do not have these commitments and can participate more fully in council debates and proceedings.

If the council is sincere in wanting to encourage and nurture participatory democracy from the public in the health and well being of the region, then there should be no objection to this proposal

Thank you for your time in considering this submission.

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Good Afternoon – please find attached an amended submission for **MARSDEN PARK** that we wish to use instead of the submission lodged on Thursday – that submission was dated 24th April – this amended submission is dated 28th April

I trust that this is satisfactory – please contact me on 5440310 if necessary.

Thank you,
Graham Thomas.

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SUBMISSION ON THE 2014/15 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN

BY

MARSDEN PARK

- **Marsden Park** supports Council's intention in the Annual Plan (AP) to continue with upgrades in the capital programme as set out in the Long Term Plan, 2012 – 2022 (LTP). Further development – mainly residential – is essential if Nelson City is going to be able to meet the differing housing requirements that the community needs.

- It has been brought to the attention of **Marsden Park** that Council's intention is for a roundabout to be constructed at the intersection of Marsden Valley Road and The Ridgeway. Until that roundabout is constructed Council will be restricting development accessed off Marsden Valley Road to a specific number of lots. This will detrimentally affect **Marsden Park**, Solitaire Investments and others. **Marsden Park** therefore supports early construction of that roundabout as a joint project between Council, **Marsden Park**, Solitaire Investments and others.

- **Marsden Park** firmly believes that “**affordability**” of housing is and will continue to be an issue of major concern unless the costs can be driven down. For that reason the balance of this submission is addressing factors that **Marsden Park** believe Council can – and should – have an influence over.

- **Marsden Park** is seeking support/relief from Council on the timing of payment of the various financial contributions, development contributions etc. that are required with new developments.

- By way of background the payment of those various “contributions/levies” are set out under the Local Government Act (LGA) and the Resource Management Act (RMA) either through the AP/LTP or the Nelson Resource Management Plan (NRMP).

- Whilst this submission process is under the LGA, the issue/effect of the payments under the RMA is also raised here, as the combined effect of the requirements is a serious restriction on development.

- The purpose of the various contributions/levies is to “mitigate” any potential adverse effects by those developments on Council’s services (roads, sewer, stormwater, water reticulation and reserves etc.). The amount payable is set out in the LTP/AP (Development Contributions for the services) and the NRMP (Financial Payments for Reserves).

- Payment of those contributions/levies is required prior to release of a Subdivision Completion Certificate to enable a developer to raise titles for sale (the Completion Certificate is known as the Section 224).

- These costs are significant and have a major impact on cash flow and on the total cost of development becoming a major impediment to a debt funded development. As an example, a 20 lot residential subdivision with sections for sale at \$200,000 would be required to pay the following:

LGA (LTP/AP)	20 lots @ \$9832.00 =	\$196,640.00
RMA (NRMP)	20 lots @ 5.5% of \$200,000 =	\$220,000.00
	Total =	\$416,640.00

- This simply demonstrates the cost of extra funding required under the current regime. This is a significant cost if calculated as a percentage of total development cost. The impact on development per sale is obvious.

- Note that this is a simplistic straight forward development and there are differing more complex situations that could require extra payments and/or specific upgrades by the development on services as well.

- Note also that the developer does **not** receive \$200,000 for each site – a table setting indicative costs and returns for a typical “no risks” development will be tabled at the Hearing.

- **Marsden Park** is not questioning / objecting to the need to make payments – it is the timing that this submission relates to as the purpose of the payments is to “mitigate/offset adverse effects of increased demands on Council’s services/infrastructure”.

- It is submitted by **Marsden Park** that the “increased demand” does not commence at S224 stage and that it potentially commences when a Building Consent for a dwelling is issued.

- The developer is also required to pay a maintenance bond of \$1,000/section (up to a maximum of \$20,000) and to maintain the services for a period of two (2) years (that is roads, sewer drains, stormwater drains, and water reticulation) as well pay water connection fees and daily charges along with rates.

- Given that the developer has paid for the entire infrastructure and is responsible for all maintenance of the services that Council will be inheriting, **Marsden Park** cannot see justification in the argument that there is a demand on Council services generated at S224 stage.

- Payment can be legally protected by registration of a “covenant” on each section title requiring payment before the title can be transferred.

- **Marsden Park** would be happy to accept an arrangement that payment of rates, daily water charges and water connection fees were **not required** until the expiry of the two year maintenance period on the grounds that Council has opted out of their legal obligations by transferring all maintenance issues to the developer.

- The only possible “downside” for Council is that “levies/contributions” payments are spread over a time span instead of one upfront payment.

- **Marsden Park** is therefore seeking through this submission process that Council defers payment of the various financial and development contributions along with no requirement for rates, daily water charges and water connection fees until a section is sold or an agreed timeframe is reached – whichever is the sooner - with certainty of

payment ensured by creation of a suitable legal restriction (covenant)
on each title.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Nelson City Council Public Consultation Submission form

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		147	
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Name Addo Mulders Sr.

Daytime phone 5469130

Address 20 The Cliffs Nelson 7010

Organisation represented (if applicable) _____

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission? YES NO # of pages 2

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Public information

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The consultation/proposal my submission relates to:

~~Cheaper, Improved connections between Nelson and the rest of New Zealand and the world~~

My submission is: Related to high costs to fly with Air New Zealand.

~~Many complains have been mentioned in our paper and the one my daughter and husband were involved with, when they were asked to pay \$840 for a return to Wellington.~~

~~I wrote a letter to MP Hon Gerry Brownly whose reply is enclosed.~~

~~His reply indicates business being business they can charge what they like.~~

~~He says that smaller aircraft are more costly to run, which now has been refuted by a ex engineer from Air NZ. (SEE NELSON MAIL)~~

~~Some jet planes can land here (whisper jets)~~

~~For the benefit of many people in our Region and our Tourist industry the T.D.C and N.C.C. should find out how much the runway has to be extended to enable Jetstar to provide the competition we so urgently need.~~

~~The runway south can be extended immediatly if the access to the sewerage buildings is changed to access coming in from a road to be formed at the North end between the golfcourse and airport.~~

~~Referring to the reply from Garry Brownly please do something about it.~~

Date 24. APRIL

Signature [Signature]

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Note: Nelson tourist industry could be improved with a Auckland Queenstown flight offer including a stop-over in Nelson.

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**Office of Hon Gerry Brownlee**

MP for Ilam
Leader of the House
Minister of Transport

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Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery
Minister Responsible for the Earthquake Commission

25 MAR 2014

Addo Mulders Sr.
20 The Cliffs
NELSON 7010

Dear Mr Mulders

Thank you for your letter of 19 February 2014 to Rt Hon John Key, Prime Minister, regarding the cost of airfares to/from Nelson. Your letter has been referred to me for reply as the issues you raised fall within my portfolio responsibilities. Please accept my apologies for the delay in replying.

I understand your disappointment with the high airfares offered by Air New Zealand between Nelson and other destinations. Air New Zealand is required to operate in a commercial manner. This means its fares are largely determined by the demand and operating costs associated with its services. On regional services, Air New Zealand uses smaller aircraft which incur higher costs per passenger.

The government has adopted a policy of opening up the domestic commercial aviation market. There are currently no restrictions on airlines wishing to commence services to regional airports. I hope to see another airline, such as Jetstar, entering regional markets to stimulate competition on these services and improve travel options for New Zealanders.

I suggest you talk to your local council and regional tourism bodies, and encourage them to work with the airlines to improve the services they provide to the Nelson region.

Yours sincerely

Hon Gerry Brownlee
Minister of Transport



Draft Annual Plan submission form

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Submissions close 4.30pm Monday 28 April 2014.

Name Susan George Organisation represented (if applicable) Trouble and Fox
Address 155 Rocks Rd, Nelson Sidexca
Phone 021 250 2409 Email lidoblook40@hotmail.com

Hearings will be held for those who wish to speak in support of their submission. Hearing dates are proposed to be 13, 14, 15, 16 May 2014.

Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*

Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

Public Information

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Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

Bank Lane Canopy

I would like to support the allocation of funds toward the replacement of the canopy. Our family are owners of the shops 'Trouble and Fox' and 'Sidexca' in the lane. Apart from the unsightly visual appearance of the canopy, we also consider it to be a safety issue. You will notice some panels are missing from the canopy - these have been blown out when we experience high winds - and could have easily caused injury to members of the public using the lane. The lane is the gateway to the Nelson Markets and Montgomery Square and foot traffic is increasing due to the relocation of Briscoes + Bed Bath + Beyond Stores. A new canopy would create a whole new centrepiece for Trafalgar Street as well.

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

Optional demographic information - your answers to the following questions would provide helpful information to Council.

The questions are optional and your responses will be publicly distributed to those who review the draft Annual Plan submission forms.

Age:

under 21 21 - 39 40 - 64 65 and over

Gender: Male Female

Have you made a submission before? Yes / No

To avoid confusion, please only send your feedback once, using your preferred method. You can mention more than one topic, and you don't need a separate form for each topic. We will promptly acknowledge it has been received.



Visit Council's website nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz and fill out the online submission form (you can send attachments too)



Drop your submission form and/or any written comments to the Civic House Customer Service Centre, 110 Trafalgar Street



Mail your submission form and/or any written comments to: Draft Annual Plan, Nelson City Council, Freepost Authority Number 76919, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040

Natascha Van Dien

From: Administration Support
Subject: FW: Draft Annual Plan submission
Attachments: NCC Annual Plan 2014 Submission Draft.docx

From: Hudson Dodd [<mailto:hudson.dodd@brooksanctuary.org>]
Sent: Monday, 28 April 2014 6:01 a.m.
To: Council Enquiries (Enquiry)
Subject: Draft Annual Plan submission

To Whom It May Concern

Attached please find our draft annual plan submission.

Sincerely
Hudson Dodd

Hudson Dodd
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Brook Waimarama Sanctuary
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Visitor Centre – Sanctuary Entrance
651 Brook Street (road's end)
Ph 03 539 4920



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28 April 2014

SUBMISSION TO:
NELSON CITY COUNCIL DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2014

The Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust staff, trustees, and volunteers would like to acknowledge and thank Nelson City Council for its strong ongoing support and recognition of the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary as an important project for the communities of the Nelson Tasman Region.

CAPITAL FUNDING PROVISION

We appreciate the Council's recognition of the regional significance of the Brook Sanctuary project, and your corresponding ongoing commitment of funding to the pest-proof fence project. The Council's commitment of ~\$1,036,000 is an important contribution to the \$4.2m funding target for fence construction, in terms of both monetary and community support.

The Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust as an organisation is regional in scope. The Trust's strategic partners include organisations operating across the Nelson/Tasman region, including the Department of Conservation, the Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology, the Tasman Bays Heritage Trust/Nelson Provincial Museum, and the region's iwi. We take the role of a regional conservational initiative and visitor attraction seriously and look forward to delivering an asset that all the region's residents and visitors can enjoy and take pride in.

The Trust is confident that the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary will prove to be of tremendous benefit to the people of the Nelson Tasman Region. Not only will it bring biodiversity conservation gains to our communities unachievable by other means, but it will bring outstanding cultural and educational benefits, as well as economic development through tourism opportunities. This confidence is supported by the noteworthy national grants the project has successfully attracted, most recently the award announced by the Department of Internal Affairs in March 2014 of a \$1.25m grant from the Lottery Significant Projects Fund.

FUND RAISING PROGRESS & FENCE PROJECT TIMELINE

The Trust is pleased to announce we have met our fund raising target of \$4.2m for construction of the pest-proof fence, which satisfies Council's final requirement for the Trust to uplift Council's funding toward the fence project. We have recently submitted documentation to demonstrate to Council that the Trust's funding toward the fence is sufficient to complete the construction project, and look forward to working with Council staff to complete a funding agreement.

We note Council's funding to the project is divided into two parts spread across two financial years: ~\$500,000 in 2013/2014 and ~\$500,000 in 2014/2015. Our demonstration of sufficient

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funding will allow us to proceed with uplifting this year's apportionment of Council funding prior to the close of this financial year.

The Trust respectfully requests that Council maintain the second half of the committed funding for fence construction in the 2014/2015 annual plan. This funding is essential to the Trust's successful completion of the project.

Council staff officers and legal counsel have recently completed work on a long-term exclusive use lease for the sanctuary site, which the Trust is pleased to enter into with Council. We note that this lease also includes a 'shared use' area around the perimeter of the sanctuary, which will allow the public free walking access around the exterior of the pest-proof fence. Upon the anticipated approval by Council and the Trust Board this agreement will allow the Trust to action contracts with suppliers and construction of the pest-proof fence to commence. Barring any unforeseen complications, we are planning for fence construction to begin in July 2014.

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT

The Trust further appreciates the Council's ongoing support in the form of an annual operational grant, and believes this represents very good value to Council, contributing to the cost of maintaining the Council owned site and developing sanctuary infrastructure. Activity that the Council grant contributes to includes the development of walking and vehicle tracks, pest control, weed control, administration time, volunteer training, mapping, signage, and other operational expenses associated with the development of the sanctuary.

The Council's operational commitment to the Trust in its Long Term Plan shows an annual grant figure increasing modestly from ~\$67,000 in 2014/15 to ~\$80,000 in 2021-22. We request this level of funding be maintained in the Annual Plan and in the LTP as an annual contribution to the project. By providing this operational grant, NCC enhances the Trust's focus on raising funds for sanctuary infrastructure, and reduces the need for the Trust to fund raise for operational costs.

The Trust looks forward to working with Council staff officers to explore opportunities for the region to leverage off the biodiversity gains already being delivered at the sanctuary site, which will increase dramatically with the completion of the pest-proof fence, with a significant anticipated 'halo effect' of wildlife spreading out from the site to the surrounding areas and communities.

OTHER PROJECTS

The Trust notes that the Draft Annual Plan includes funding of ~\$53,000 to replace the aged existing valley floor pedestrian bridge in the sanctuary site, which will be upgraded to safely serve increased public visitation to the site. The Trust supports retention of this funding in the Annual Plan, noting the importance of this asset to the visitor experience of the sanctuary.

The Trust is coordinating with Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology to progress the relocation of the slip-threatened Brook Conservation Education Centre buildings, further to Council approval in 2013. Our goal is for the relocated centre to be operational in time for the June 2014 intake of trainee rangers.

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THANKS

The Trust is extremely grateful for the ongoing support and commitment shown by Nelson City Council in strongly supporting the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary project. We also thank Council staff for their good work with us over the past year, and look forward to working together in the future.

OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD

The Trust requests the opportunity to be heard in support of this submission.

Sincerely,



Hudson Dodd
General Manager

Natascha Van Dien

From: Administration Support
Subject: FW: Draft Annual Plan submission form

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Your name

Richard King

Organisation represented (if applicable)

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Your phone number

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Your email address

raking@ts.co.nz

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

Consider painting the Civic House clock tower. Not a mural but a coat of paint to cover the unsightly stains increasingly evident on the tower

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

65 and over

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

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NA

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Your phone number

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Your email address

geoff@nelsonparadise.co.nz

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Your submission

That the rating policy for separately used or inhabited parts of a rating unit, (as on page 62 of the Draft Annual Plan 2014/15), be amended to include "A bed and breakfast room with or without kitchen facilities" in the list of categories not considered to be separately used and inhabited parts of a rating unit.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

65 and over

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

Natascha Van Dien

From: Administration Support
Subject: FW: submission to annual plan

From: Customer Service Team
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From: Dan McGuire [<mailto:dan.sullivan@kinect.co.nz>]
Sent: Sunday, 6 April 2014 7:56 a.m.
To: Council Enquiries (Enquiry)
Subject: submission to annual plan

I would like to thank the Mayor and Councillors for their excellent efforts to reduce spending for previously planned projects.

However, there is no reason why the rate increase cannot be brought down to the actual cost of living or inflation increase. Council has made huge compounding percentage increases in the rates over the last twelve years, and should be able to work within its current income.

Also, the increase in the water charge is too high.

Council should expedite its decision on the future of the Trafalgar Centre. The city needs a decision soon. It would appear that the building is much safer than many buildings in the CBD. There are cost-effective strengthening options available which can be carried out over time.

Please do not begin funding the Arts Council again. In my opinion, a great deal of money was wasted in the past by those using this funding, and council should not begin funding the Council again. This is a subsidy that is not appropriate under the changes to the Local Government Act, and it could be challenged.

Dan McGuire
P.O. Box 582
Nelson
0272466155

Natascha Van Dien

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Your phone number

545 1195 or 027 243 5301

Your email address

hughb@movenelson.co.nz

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

I have attached a full submission below

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

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Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL'S 2014-15 ANNUAL PLAN

Name: Hugh Briggs

Background: Resource Management/Planning Consultant (40 years)
Owner/Operator, Move Nelson Segway Tours (3 years)
Ex-operator, Strathaven Lodge B&B, Nelson (8 years)
Trustee of Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust (2 years)
Chair Melrose House Trust (Trust member 2 years)
Committee Member various Groups, Chamber of Commerce (8 years)

Experience: Made numerous submissions as an individual, as an urban planner and as member of Chamber of Commerce Committees on many Annual Plans and LTCC Plans, as well as various Studies and Management Plans. I have been involved as a tourist operator over the last 10 years with a B&B and now with a Segway guided Tour operation.

Reason for Submission

I am concerned about some specific changes proposed to the LTTCP in this year's Draft Annual Plan, but also wish to indicate my support for some other proposed projects. I have outlined those concerns and points of support below.

Key Points (from Summary)

Key Issues and New Projects

Bridge Street enhancement:

SUPPORT

This street is in desperate need of enhancement, as it is a "blot" on the CBD's townscape. Unfortunately it is not just the streetscape that needs uplifting but some of the activities and buildings too! I trust that Council will work very closely with the businesses/landlords to make effective changes to the street's activity and building physical appearance.

Stoke Community Centre:

SUPPORT

Stoke does need a boost to create a real community heart in its centre and this project should be fully supported.

Maitai River:

SUPPORT

With my work with Tiakina te Taiao, I note the great work they do with their environmental health programmes on all rivers. It is essential that this work continue and that Council works very closely with Tiakina on upgrading the Maitai.

Property Assets Review:

SUPPORT

I consider it essential that Council looks long and hard at its property portfolio to ensure that those properties are being appropriately and effectively used, and whether Council should have such a large portfolio.

It should develop a "real" urban strategy (such as is being proposed in a City Development Strategy, and was partially developed in the Heart of Nelson Strategy) that provides the framework for implementing some of those strategies, eg such as the Bridge Street extension. I am concerned that there is no strategic approach being taken with decisions being made on individual projects.

I consider that there are several opportunities to stimulate more appropriate development in and around the edge of the CBD, eg around the library and Croquet green, to stimulate an attractive (re)development of the Rutherford Park area, particularly with the need to replace Trafalgar Centre. Other opportunities exist along Wakefield Quay as proposed recently around the Guyton's area, and obviously in Wakatu Square.

With respect to the Events Venues section, I comment as follows:

Trafalgar Centre:

OPPOSE

I have always been opposed to the Council's continued spending on upgrading the Centre. I was heavily involved in developing the Chamber of Commerce's submissions made from 2005 on requesting very limited expenditure then. There has never been a business case made for the extent of expenditure and possible benefits that would be gained from such expenditure. Given all the present circumstances, I would oppose any further spending on investigations for a suitable and safe upgrade/rebuild. The costs being spoken of are excessive, just to bring it up to its present standard.

I consider that Council should "bite the bullet", demolish it and find a better alternative site for an entertainment complex/trade show venue, which needs to be close to the CBD, and not out in outlying locations.

Nelson School of Music and Theatre Royal:

SUPPORT

I support Councils' intention to provide more funding for these two "iconic" buildings and places of entertainment.

Saxton Field Complex:

SUPPORT

I support the continued development and maintenance of this complex to ensure it is being used as efficiently and effectively as it can (or should) be. With the demise of the Trafalgar Centre as an indoor sports centre, I consider that there needs to be a review of the role to see whether it could be developed further as an entertainment centre, particularly to house the Nelson Giants and larger concerts/events that were held at the Trafalgar Centre. I understand that the first Giants game there recently was a success.

Projects for Year 3 (2014-15) - Proposed Changes to LTCCP

Maitai River shared path:

SUPPORT

With the enhanced walkway from QE2 bridge to Trafalgar Street now being constructed and the widened path from the I-Site to Collingwood Street setting a high standard along this section, the narrowness of this next section is accentuated. With my Segway tours using the riverside walkway, I have noted a large number of conflict situations on this very well used section. This project needs to be retained in this year's budget.

Maitai walkway connection across Trafalgar Street:

SUPPORT

As a very regular user of this crossing (with my Segway tours) I have been concerned about its safety as a heavily used crossing point along what is being developed as a main pedestrian and cycle route. I made a request to the Heart of Nelson Strategy to include such an improved crossing as part of the upgrade to the river walkway then!

It is a significant crossing at the real entry to the CBD, with the beginning of commercial activity at this point. It should therefore be made as the entry point to the CBD as was hinted at in the HON Strategy. It requires a raised crossing as elsewhere in Trafalgar Street to ensure vehicles respect this as an entry point and crossing, and to improve the sight lines for

pedestrians around the heavy bridge parapets. Again this needs to be retained in this years budget.

In addition to this, at the roundabout of Trafalgar Street/SH6 intersection, a safe crossing should also be built to ensure a safe crossing of this very important cycle track/pedestrian route.

Rocks Road Walk/Cycle Project:

SUPPORT CONCEPT
CONCERN BY DELAY

Like everyone, I have been waiting very eagerly for this project to be implemented sooner rather than later. We still don't know what is being offered for consultation so we cannot judge how complex the consent process is going to be. I have submitted several times on this project recommending that any widening of this transport link, recreational promenade and pedestrian/cycle link has to include widening of the corridor beyond the wall and chain-link fence.

I do not believe it can satisfactorily, attractively and safely meet all the demands on the present limited space available, recognising that the alternative route via the Southern Link will not be constructed for many years. Any expenditure on this project (using the R funding still available) must not restrict any further investigation work on that alternative route.

Modeller's Pond:

OPPOSE

This area has proved to be a very complex and perplexing one which cannot be resolved easily or economically. I am totally opposed to the level of expenditure proposed to partially resolve this ongoing issue. Not only does it require a very significant amount this year but also a substantial fund for ongoing maintenance.

As a regular user of the area surrounding it (again on my Segway tours), I consider it to be an unattractive feature which detracts considerably from the model railway circuits. I am opposed to spending such a significant amount on a facility used by so few people. In these harsh economic times, it is just not reasonable to favour a small user group when that significant amount could be more effectively used to benefit a larger section of the Nelson community.

I also consider that this area could be greatly enhanced to match the high standard of finish and landscaping elsewhere in the Tahuna Beach reserve

by filling it in and creating an attractive landscape feature, or even an area for other activities to complement the model railway circuit.

Tahuna Back Beach:

SUPPORT

In looking for a new cycle/footpath route through Tahuna as an ultimate part of the Great Taste Trail/scenic cycle route from the CBD (along Rocks Road) to the Airport and beyond, the shoreline is a great opportunity to develop such a route. Protection works along here are important so that this could be readily achieved, via the Motor Camp to the Golf Course and Airport.

Nelson Tasman Tourism:

SUPPORT

It is essential that Council continues to fund the Regional Tourism Organisation (RTO), particularly as it is designed to promote Nelson City and the region. Tourism is a very significant activity in this region and generates significant income and employment.

It is a role that Councils should play in promoting economic development in the region, and thus, despite the decision made by Tasman District Council (TDC) reducing its funding this year and withdrawing next year, Council should maintain its present course. It is imperative that Council makes a very strong submission to TDC to get it to reverse that decision. Given that much of the natural attractions and tourist activities are within the Tasman district, it is imperative that TDC maintains its role in conjunction with Council.

There is an argument that this role could be covered by the Economic Development Agency instead. However, if this is eventually considered to be the most appropriate model, there will still be the need to fund that "extra" work to be undertaken by additional staff in EDA.

Departmental Work programmes (p.33)

SUPPORT (IN PART)

I note that there is to be a full review of the Resource Management Plan (which I think is well overdue) including the integration of the Regional Policy Statement and the current RM Plan (which has both regional and district policies and rules). I fully support the creation of a more coordinated planning document. I note with concern though that the research into the City Development Strategy has been deferred/halted to enable the full review to take place.

I fully support the need to have a more clear and integrated RM Plan that will guide development of the City (within its regional context). However my concern is that the need for a physical City Development Strategy, which is not necessarily a statutory document to the extent that the RM plan is, has been delayed.

The City has failed for many years to provide a real Development Strategy (what as a planner I call a City Plan!) that is designed to guide development. Council has produced a number of isolated, independent Strategy documents and Reserve Management Plans without having an overall context to work within. The RM Plan has never provided such guidance, being more focussed on the rules aspect of planning.

Some Plan Changes have been prepared as Structure Plans for growth areas, and the CBD had the Heart of Nelson Strategy. That in itself only dealt with some aspects of the CBD development and did not coordinate with adjacent areas or transport corridors.

A more physical, design-oriented City Development Plan is urgently required that will provide the direction for the statutory changes that need to be made to the RM Plan zoning and development controls.

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Submission to draft annual plan 2014-2015

2014 being an election year, the Democrats for Social Credit Party wishes to remind councillors of their duty to both challenge and influence central government policy.

We respectfully ask you to support and lobby for the following proposals:

1. Local body access to nil-interest credit-lines and loans from our sovereign bank, the Reserve Bank of New Zealand. These for essential capital works, thus relieving ratepayers of unsustainable debt-servicing to the private financial sector. The RBNZ is already equipped to provide such facilities as proven by the multi-billion dollar arrangement made in recent years for the major banks.
2. Remove the GST from rates.
3. Support the "Robin Hood" Tax campaign now gathering momentum globally. The levying of a minuscule tax on money and share market transactions would allow Government to provide funding for more public amenities without further need to raise rates, taxes and charges.
4. Support the campaign demanding complete transparency as to the TPPA (Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement) negotiations.
5. Stop fluoridation where still practised and resist pressure to continue or initiate fluoridation. This is primarily an individual rights matter, apart from the fluoride compounds used being pollutants.
6. Advocate the Single Transferable Vote (STV) system for all Local Government.

We look forward to making a verbal presentation when required.

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Submission 37 Cat 10

Submissions close 4.30pm Monday 28 April 2014

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CAT 10
Nelson City Council
te kaunihera o whakatū

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Hearings will be held for those who wish to speak in support of their submission. Hearing dates are proposed to be 13, 14, 15, 16 May 2014.

Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*

Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

Public Information

Submissions to Council consultations are public information. Your submission will be available to the media and public.

Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

Maitai Walkway: Sometime ago Council put out a full page in the Nelson Mail showing areas in Nelson that would be subject to various environmental hazards such as Liquefaction. My property at the Collingwood end of Cambria St was highlighted as such. Surely then the Maitai/Trafalgar St walkway would be in greater danger of liquefaction should an earthquake occur. Has Council considered this?

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

Optional demographic information - your answers to the following questions would provide helpful information to Council. The questions are optional and your responses will be publicly distributed to those who review the draft Annual Plan submission forms.

Age: under 21 21-39 40-64 65 and over

Gender: Male / Female

Have you made a submission before? Yes / No

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Theatre Royal: as Theatre Royal appears to be ^{37 ✓} still loosing money, but will be preserved as a Heritage Building as will the Nelson School of Music, Pending results of Earthquake Sustainability of the Trafalgar Centre this must finally put to bed all the big time spenders who want a new Arts/concert/convention Centre. ?

Natascha Van Dien

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

I recognize the challenges that the Council faces in making the best decisions for the future of the community. Of the items specifically mentioned in the draft annual plan, the one that I am most passionate about are:

1. Health of the Maitai. Thanks to the NCC for putting some real money into restoring the watershed to its former glory.
2. More bike lanes/more protection for cyclists. We must continue to make the area cycle friendly. This will be a major money earner for us in the future.
3. Free Wifi in the city is a great idea!
4. I wouldn't invest in the modelers pond. Sorry, not enough of the community is really interested in this.

A couple of items not in the plan that should be:

1. Investigating a better solution for the sewage ponds at Wakapuaka. I recommend investigation of creating an algae layer over the sewage ponds that super heats up the waste and creates gas that can be used as energy.
2. Investigate construction of a busway, a dedicated bus lane, to and from Richmond and downtown Nelson along the Railway Reserve to reduce traffic on Waimea Road and Rocks Road.

Cheers,
Steven Gray

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

under 21

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Your submission

Dear City Council,

My submission are proposals for the following:

Tahuna Beach Cafe Public Toilet Redo:

The positive response and new respect and feel of the Buxton Carpark loo redo leads me to propose that the toilets at Tahuna Beach get a refurbishing. I have evaluated the premises and have come to the conclusion that a few changes and additions will create dynamic changes that locals and visitors will appreciate and walk away feeling that Nelson is indeed an artsy area with respectful, creative members who take pride in their community. I would like to propose the following:

- *Replace the basins and toilets with porcelain.
- *Have an art mirror above the sink and a full length by the changing area
- *Repaint the building inside and out
- *Add skylights to brighten the interior
- *Have a local mural artist do a beach scene on the back interior wall that show children having fun
- *Add an artsy drinking fountain

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*Replace the gates with ones design for safety and a pleasure to look at.

*Replace the outside brick and deteriorating planter with landscaping that has a beach feel-such as a boat filled with native beach grasses and crushed shells like the surrounding area. Surround with thick ropes that go through vertical poles.

*Add additional flowering bushes that do well in the environment and adds life and vitality.

Open design ideas to members of the art council for addition ideas and input.

Modelers Pond

I highly suggest that a dead horse stays dead. It is very obvious that the pond is not functional and will be an on-going money pit. It benefits the few and doesn't reflect needs of the wider community. I propose the following:

*Fill it in with engineered fill

*Create a sculpture park with interactive kinetic/water art like what is found on Cuba St. in Wellington.

*Provide covered picnic tables so it can be viewed and utilized all year

*Create viewing paths and plant vegetation that bring in birds and butterflies.

This sculpture park will uplift the spirits of children, visitors and locals of all ages. It will give another reason to hang out at the beach. Having the zoo nearby will draw in lots of families who can enjoy the sculptures and enjoy picnics. Both these proposals will support local artists and create jobs for others who are not in the road work industry.

Thank you for considering and hopefully funding these proposals.

Carleen Reich-Simko
545-1404

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Female

Have you made a submission before?

No

Natascha Van Dien

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From: Web Maintenance Shared Mailbox
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See below - relates to already received submission

From: Steve Simko [<mailto:carleenreichsimko@me.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, 16 April 2014 6:58 p.m.
To: Web Maintenance Shared Mailbox
Subject: Re: Draft Annual Plan submission form

Dear Council,

Would you be willing to attach the following photos that show the areas of the Tahuna Loos that I believe need refurbishing? This visual will help explain the submission.

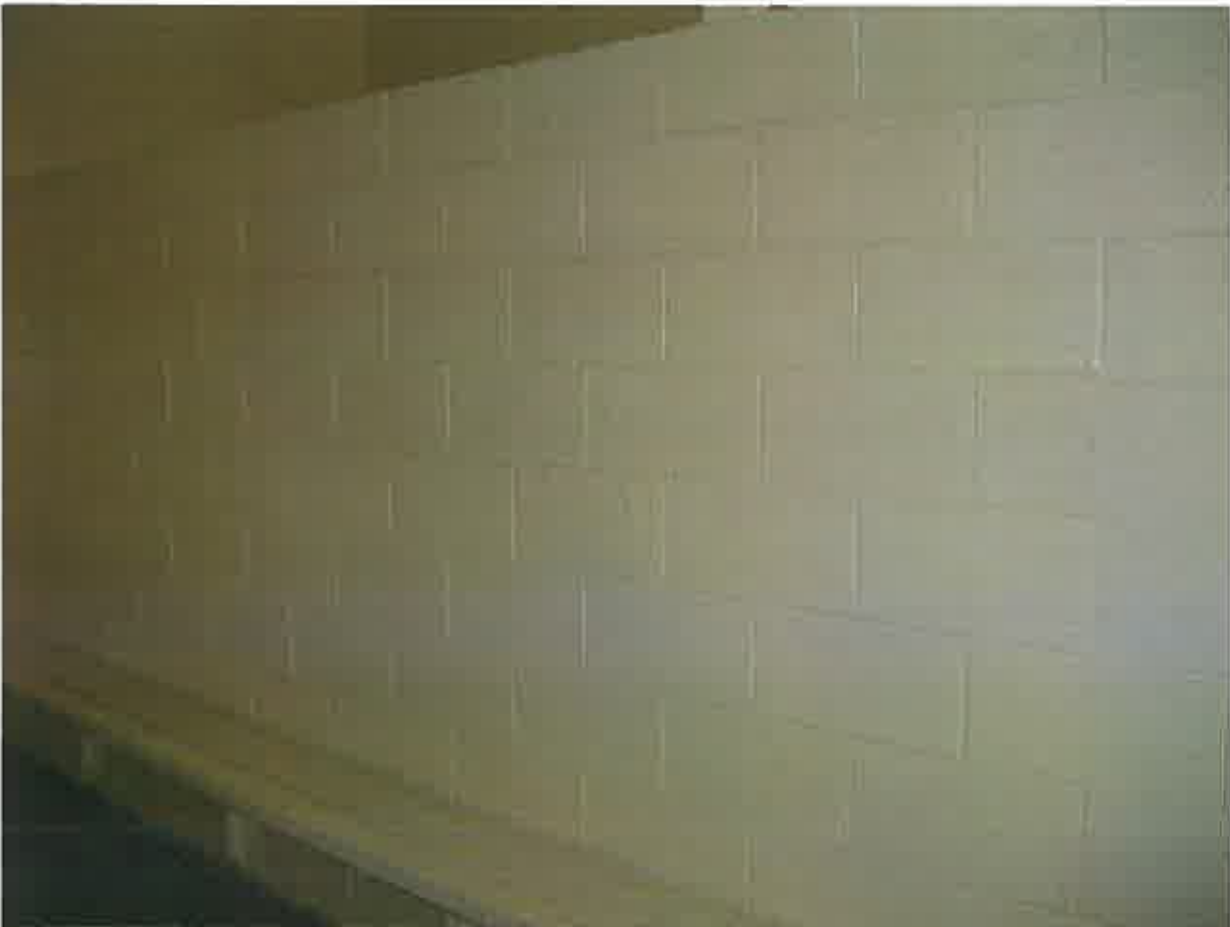
Cheers!

Carleen Reich-Simko









Natascha Van Dien

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Your submission

I fully support the ongoing informal 'artificaiton' of Nelson, and think the river murals project is fantastic. Civic House tower and the Maitai footbridge (adjacent to Trafalgar Centre) should also be included.

On behalf of all children (and some grownups) I do not support any delays in the destination playground at Trafalgar Park.

Fully support Nelson's decision to keep funding tourism; it's a vital investment for the region. I'd even consider partial funding towards the Takaka and Murchison iSites given their importance to the wider region and consequently Nelson city. Free wifi is also a fantastic initiative, only comment is to make sure there is supporting infrastructure e.g. stand up tables to put devices on (I often see visitors having to sit on the ground at wifi hotspots which isn't really very welcoming). Whoever came up with the idea of installing free wifi on the Centre of NZ is genius. Word will get around and everyone will just have to post a real time selfie from the top: fantastic free marketing.

I also have the following three 'perennial' submissions.

Paint a mural on the Civic House the clock tower, its right opposite the iSite!

Washington Valley would greatly benefit from an art installation: specifically a Pou Whenua at the intersection with Hastings St would be fantastic. A few years ago I presented a petition from residents and this was received favourably by Council (attached). Unfortunately nothing has come of

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this and Washington Valley remains well behind Victory in terms of revitalisation. It's a special spot (old coast line) and could be considered a gateway feature. I've attached the original petition (in addition to these names I've since discussed this with the Washington Valley Community Group who are also very supportive).

My other recurrent appeal is that I think Nelson is the perfect place for an outdoor music venue akin to a smaller version of the Sidney Myer Bowl in Melbourne. Rutherford Park is the perfect spot for it as the sound would project over the port and marina and away from Residential areas. An affordable option and a destination venue. Future discussions relating to performance venues should include consideration of a permanent outdoor venue.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Pou-whenua-2011-copy.pdf - [Download File](#)

Optional demographic information

Your age

21 - 39

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

August 2011

To the Mayor and Councillors of Nelson City Council

Washington Valley Pou Whenua

As residents of the Washington Valley area we are writing to suggest that the newly created traffic island at the intersection of Washington Road and Hastings St would be an ideal site for a contemporary pou whenua (carved post).

A pou whenua marks ancestral and contemporary associations between people (tāngata) and land (whenua). We think this setting would be very relevant to iwi as it used to be the head of Parapara Inlet, and as such would have been considered a gateway site. For this reason the setting would also benefit from some interpretive panels.

Washington Valley is generally considered to be a lower than average socio-economic area and an example of modern public art would be very uplifting for the community. It could also provide a catalyst for further upgrading of the neighbourhood e.g. planting street trees or improved footpath condition and cycleway design.

There is considerable foot traffic along these roads and this pou would inspire an atmosphere of safety, particularly at night time if lighting was provided.

Thank you for your consideration.

Residents of Washington Valley neighbourhood.



Supporting a Pou Whenua in Washington Valley – August 2011

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Evon Hoogeveen	1/128 Washington Rd
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Rosie-Anne Pinney	18 Brough Tce
Fraser Heal	20 Brough Tce
Monique Day	20 Brough Tce
Kim Stark	66 Arrow St
Isaac Ibbotson	66 Arrow St
Hucky Hoogeveen	7 Washington Tce
Maryanne Hoogeveen	7 Washington Tce
Jazmine Anderson	Washington Valley
Holly Hoogeveen	43 Parere St
Paul Harrington	54 Arrow St
Kirsty Stark	54 Arrow St
Lisa Gibellini	23 Wolfe St
Richard Frizzell	18 Brough Tce
Kathleen Reid	93 Washington Rd
Escher Hoogeveen	1/128 Washington Rd
Annalee Hoogeveen	24 Ilam Grove
Bram Hoogeveen	24 Ilam Grove
Nick Burn	11 Washington Rd
Amy Goonan	11 Washington Rd
Maree Shalders	Quebec Rd
Aucks Hoogeveen	1/128 Washington Rd
Casey Newton	18 Washington Tce
Tony Dickson	58 Arrow St

Name	Address
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Amanda Bisder	11 Watson St
Kahu Unali	54a Washington Rd
Whaitiri Lomax	1/7 Arrow St
Jesse Papeseh	93 Washington Rd
A'loka Penketh	47 Tompson Tce
D. Jones	49 Wolfe St
D. Hamilton Williams	Britannia Heights
Zach Gardner	47 Franklyn St
Suzanne Gilbert	4 Mt Vernon Pl
J. O'Leary	35 Poynters Cr
C. McConville	95 Halifax St



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To The Mayor and Councillors

SUBMISSION RE: 2014/2015 ANNUAL PLAN

The Nelson Youth Council would like to thank the Nelson City Council for its ongoing support and commitment, which enables us to be an effective voice for the youth of today. We wish to make comment on the following areas:

Things we support are:

- **Upper Bridge Street Enhancement:** We support Council's intention to enhance this area of the CBD, as it can be an intimidating place both during the day and at night for youth who frequent the area. We feel the addition of art and/or flora would help enhance the street and, if possible, we would appreciate the opportunity to contribute to such a project.
- **Maitai River Upgrade and Enhancement:** We consider that a \$400,000 allocation for one year will not be enough to adequately address all issues associated with the general health of the river; however, we understand that many of the issues to be dealt with are not easily fixed and it may take longer than desired to sufficiently resolve the problems. We believe that the council is taking a good step forward to address the situation and we strongly support the council's objective to fund this project in the annual plan.
- **Stoke/Greenmeadows Community and Sports Facility:** The youth of Nelson would support this proposal. Stoke lacks in a youth facility; with the ideal location in Central Stoke and improved Greenmeadows facility, it will bring more appeal to Stoke as a suburb and will also positively impact on the community and families as they bond through sports and recreational events held here.

- **Modeller's Pond Maintenance:** We support the decision to retain and look after the Modeller's Pond as we believe it is a valuable part of Nelson and particularly Tahunanui history, as the Modeller's Club have used the site since 1959. The activities based in and around the pond also provide the younger youth of Nelson with a source of entertainment, the lack of which has been an ongoing concern for youth.
- **Continued Funding of Nelson Tasman Tourism:** We believe this is an important aspect to drawing people, from out of town, into Nelson. This helps local businesses and the region as a whole. We would like to see this being continued as Nelson on the whole will benefit from it in the long term.
- **Tahuna Back Beach Provision:** We endorse Nelson City Council allocating funds towards preventing erosion on Tahunanui back beach. The back beach is one of the only places left in Nelson to run dogs off lead without being overly dangerous and should be preserved and well looked after.
- **Theatre Royal:** The youth of Nelson strongly support the increase in the Theatre's Operational Grant of \$115,000 to \$220,000. After the Trafalgar Centre and Nelson School of Music were closed due to earthquake risk, the Theatre Royal has become Nelson's primary performance venue and so investing in it further is a very sensible idea while the other two venues are renovated and strengthened. Theatre Royal is a vital creativity outlet for young performers in Nelson such as the Nelson Youth Theatre Company and we thank the Council for recognising the continued financial stress at Theatre Royal.
- **Nelson School of Music Building Strengthening:** The safety of a building that is in such frequent use is hugely important, especially to the artistic youth of Nelson. We appreciate that the building will be available in full strength later for performances, musical examinations and lessons for the youth of Nelson. The building is also historic to Nelson and so an effort should certainly be made to restore it to working order.
- **Rocks Road Walk/Cycle Project:** Youth Council is aware of issues presented by the continually growing use of Rocks Road by a variety of users. We know that Rocks Road can be dangerous for young people using this amenity and would like to see strong consultation with all users to find and develop possible alternatives. We support the steps outlined in the annual plan as we believe this adequately covers the necessary facets involved with the development.
- **Bishopdale to Ridgeway Shared Path:** Youth Council would like the Council to consider a shared path connecting the Ridgeway to Bishopdale. There are many young people who travel this way to school - both cyclists and pedestrians. However cyclists are forced onto the road, which can be very busy at peak times, and pose a danger to drivers and themselves. Therefore, we support a proposal for a shared path connecting the Ridgeway and Bishopdale.
- **The Brook Area Walking and Cycling Improvements:** Youth Council supports these improvements as they would widely benefit cyclists and pedestrians. The Codgers Mountain Bike Park is just up the Brook and many cyclists use the road to access this MTB Park; however the road is too narrow for all the cyclists and cars. The cyclists then ride on the footpath, posing a risk to pedestrians on the path. We would like Council to consider improvements to the Brook Area to keep cyclists, pedestrians, and drivers safe.

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Some areas that Nelson Youth Council would like to see provisions for in the Annual Plan are:

- **Opera in the Park:** The biannual Opera in the Park event is a fun and family orientated event that the youth of Nelson would like to see receive funding to run on an annual basis. Opera in the Park provides an event available to young people in a musical environment. We would like to suggest that the name be changed to something that appeals to a more diverse audience as the performances aren't always of the opera genre. We believe this would increase the attendees and therefore make it worthwhile having annually.
- **NBus:** Youth Council would like to thank Council for their ongoing funding and support of the NBus system, and for the future increase in weekend services. Due to the high amount of youth users of the bus system, we would appreciate a slightly later bus time during the week and weekends. This might include extending the last bus time to 8:00 or 8:30. This then provides a safe and easy way to get from Nelson to Richmond, or vice-versa.
- **Fringed Hill Gondola:** There is an interest from Nelson youth to participate in active sports such as mountain biking. Nelson Youth Council supports this venture as it will help to encourage participation of all age groups and fitness abilities as well as encouraging tourists to Nelson.
- **Sonic Youth Event:** The Sonic Youth Event after the Masked Parade in 2013 provided safe and positive entertainment and this event was very popular amongst young people. The youth would love to have another Sonic Youth Event this year, therefore, we would very much appreciate financial support for a further \$10,000 from the Council so this event can be even more successful than it was last year.
- **Summer Youth Internship:** The Nelson Youth Council would like to request that the Council consider implementing a summer internship to support Nelson youth in employment while at university. We would like this to be available for all youth to apply.
- **Urban Art Wall:** The Nelson Youth Council have asked the Council to install an 'urban art wall' where youth are able to express themselves through urban art or tagging, for the last two years. There was one installed at the Tahuna Youth Park, unfortunately this was removed. We request that this facility be re-installed in a youth appropriate location, like the Neale Park Skate Park.
- **Railway Reserve Lighting:** This is an important issue for young people, as it is unsafe at night to walk along, due to lack of vision. This is a major transport link for many youth; however it feels unsafe to use it after dark. We appreciate Council thinks it is safer not to have lighting, as less youth will utilise it, however, a survey we conducted in August 2011 showed that 55% of the 188 surveyed use this link between 8-10pm and 45% still use it between midnight and 4am.

We wish to thank Council for funding:

- **Wi-Fi in CBD:** We would like to thank Council for the support of installing the free Wi-Fi in the Nelson Central Business District. Having Wi-Fi allows youth to stay connected and communicate with each other which young people appreciate a lot.

- **The Truck:** Nelson Youth Council would like to thank Council for supporting the Truck as it provides a lot of great activities and help to youth.
- **Youth Events:** Also we would like to thank the Council for their support of \$30,000 for events for young people, including the recent Nelson Underage concerts.
- **Cricket World Cup:** We wish to thank Council for securing Nelson as a host city for the Cricket World Cup. This provides an exciting event for young Nelsonians to attend, while the associated upgrades of Saxton Field will benefit youth for years to come.

We would like to speak to our submission, so please contact Rachael Large who will liaise with us about times. Thank you for providing us with the opportunity to have a youth voice on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Jethro Burr

Joseph Cotton

Nick Erasmuson

Patrick Gerard

Emily-Rose James

Chia-Wei Jao

Tane Kawana

Daniel Kirby

Daniel Leaper

Jackie Liang

Carla Lindley

Sam Mackay-Wright

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Nelson Youth Councillors

Natascha Van Dien

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

I fully support NCC actions that improve cycle safety and make cycling more attractive for transport and recreation. All cycle related funding put into projects should be retained in this year's budget.

I want to make sure that Council continues to:

- Develop safer cycle routes (on and off road) throughout the city.
- Support operations and tourism marketing (through funding of Nelson Tasman Tourism).

Key Points

1. Rocks Road Walk/Cycle Project – I support this and am concerned by the possible delay. This

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project must be completed as quickly as possible to improve the safety of cyclists. The route is used by many groups and will become even more popular once enhanced; people will cycle as an alternative to cars.

2. Tahuna Back Beach (beach protection and cycle route) – I support this. Whilst this project is under the Parks and Recreation section of the Annual Plan, it should also to be considered under Transport, as it is a critical section of the cycle (and pedestrian) route from the City (via Rocks road) to Tahuna and the airport. A cycle/footpath route through Tahuna would enhance the scenic cycle route from the CBD to the Airport. The shoreline is a great opportunity to develop such a route (via the Motor Camp to the Golf Course and Airport).

3. Maitai River shared path – I support this. The enhanced walkway from QE2 bridge to Trafalgar Street and the widened path from the I-Site to Collingwood Street sets a high standard along this section – and the narrowness of the next section is accentuated. This project needs to be retained in this year's budget.

4. Maitai walkway connection across Trafalgar Street – I support this. I am concerned about safety. This is a heavily used crossing point along a main pedestrian and cycle route through the City along the river. It requires a raised crossing to ensure vehicles respect this as an entry point and crossing. Also, the roundabout of Trafalgar Street/SH6 intersection needs a crossing to ensure a safe crossing.

5. Brook Street cycling and walking improvements. I support this. The work proposed to be done needs to be retained in this year's budget.

6. Nelson Tasman Tourism. It is essential that Council continue to fund the Regional Tourism Organisation. Tourism is a very significant activity in this region and generates income and employment. NCC should make a strong submission to TDC to get it to reverse their decision not to fund this body. Given that many attractions and tourist activities are within the Tasman district, it is imperative that TDC and NCC work together to promote the region as a whole.

7. Opportunity for savings. I do not support retaining ongoing \$93,000 for the modellers pond. I also don't support the decision for \$500,000 to be set aside for investigating problems with this pond. The pond is used by a small number of people and does not meet needs of today's recreation users.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Female

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

Bev Mcshea

From: Submissions
Sent: Thursday, 17 April 2014 8:59 p.m.
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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

That council either consider funding or partially funding the proposed Event Big Top, as first presented at NCC meeting in the public forum on April 17th, 2014. I would suggest that the funding be considered from it's already committed fund of 3 million, set aside for matters arising from Trafalgar Centres closure \$3m (\$2.25m of which is carried forward from 2013/14) to address issues as required. That the region could have a fully functioning all purpose venue, which would last for at least 15 years, for under 2 million. The other option I would like to present that if council wanted further information and investigation, before committing funds, that an alternative would be to allow me to do a feasibility study, outlining costs demands, usage, potential placement options for the

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venue. A fair amount for this would be \$15,000 and I would present this within a 3 month period.

I think it is vital for the Economic Development of the Region that we have an all weather event arena, of a size that can accommodate shows that were regularly at Trafalgar centre and large enough to attract more to the region.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Big-Top-Nsn.pdf - [Download File](#)

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Female

Have you made a submission before?

No

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12 March 2014

To Whom It May Concern

Proposal to Supply Big Top for Nelson

As a Promoter of Overseas Shows and Events, and as a regular user of the Trafalgar Centre, I write to give enthusiastic support to Aly Cook and her proposal to have a Big Top available in Nelson City during the closure of the Trafalgar Centre.

There is no doubt Nelson has grown as a city capable of attracting large events such as ours (more recently The Hollies, Billy Connolly, Glenn Miller Orchestra ...) and we sorely miss the ability to continue our activities there.

A modern Big Top would provide a comfortable and acoustically satisfactory alternative for the city, bringing back a number of Producers and Promoters who have lost the use of the Trafalgar Centre.

A venue this size also opens up opportunities for larger exhibitions and entertainment spectacles which need a larger working & performing area.

I also know Ms Cook has the entrepreneurial and marketing skills to make this idea work, and trust the city will allow her that opportunity.

Yours sincerely

Ian Magan

CEO
Ian Magan Ltd

Bev Mcshea

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Sent: Tuesday, 22 April 2014 12:09 p.m.
To: Council Enquiries (Enquiry)
Cc: Hilary Genet
Subject: Submission to Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015 on behalf of NMDHB's Public Health Service

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of Nelson Marlborough District Health Board's Public Health Service, attached is our submission to NCCs Draft Annual Plan for 2014/2015.

Hilary Genet will also be hand delivering a hard copy today.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment from a Public Health perspective.

Kind regards,
Bronwyn White on behalf of Hilary Genet



Nelson Marlborough District Health Board

Submission on Nelson City Council Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015

22 April 2014

NMDHB Public Health Service

For more information please contact:

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Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (NMDHB) is a key organisation involved in the health and well-being of the people within Te Tau Ihu. NMDHB's Public Health Service (NMDHB-PHS) appreciates the opportunity to comment from a Public Health perspective on the Nelson City Council (NCC) Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015.

We see it as very important for the NCC to continue to work in partnership with the NMDHB-PHS around promoting and developing social and physical environments which are likely to contribute to the health and resiliency of the local population. This particularly applies to the areas of urban design, alcohol harm reduction, environments which are smokefree, injury prevention, active transport and promotion of healthy nutrition through initiatives like edible public gardens and fruit trees. In addition the areas of provision of quality drinking water, management of waste water, solid waste management plus ongoing efforts to address air quality are important. In parallel to this air quality improvement work, we see Council's continued involvement in warm house type initiatives as very important.

NMDHB has presented this submission in the following format:

1. Areas of support for NCC activities included in the plan which will result in a good outcome for Public Health.
2. Issues NCC does not have in its plan but from a public health planning perspective need to be kept on NCC agenda and considered when drafting the next draft ten year plan and annual plan.
3. Recommended amendments to the plan that NMDHB wishes NCC include in its plan.

1. Areas of support for NCC activities included in the plan which will result in a good outcome for Public Health.

- We commend and support the current actions NCC is undertaking as the 2014/2015 plan recognises the impact Council activities and investments have on the wellbeing and health of its residents and communities. For example:
 - NCC plans to update Council's Social Wellbeing Policy, develop an action plan on social wellbeing and the focus on housing during the 2014/2015 year. NMDHB-PHS congratulates Council for this approach and the focus on warm housing.
 - NCC provision to make walking and cycling easy and attractive choices. NMDHB-PHS congratulates Council for provision to maintain and enhance the Railway Reserve and the connecting networks.
 - Neighbourhood parks and recreation activities in general.
 - Activities to revitalise communities.

NMDHB-PHS is happy to work in partnership with Council on these activities.

- Public Health supports the ongoing commitment from Nelson City Council to its Local Alcohol Policy (LAP). A policy finalized in 2014/15 may be an unrealistic goal as once

Nelson Council have a Provisional Local Alcohol Policy appeals to Alcohol Regulatory Licensing Authority (ARLA) may place the Policy outside the time frame. Nationally other Provisional LAPs have attracted significant appeals. Our understanding is that these appeals will be resolved by ARLA before Nelson can move towards its own LAP (page 42).

- We commend and support the current actions NCC is undertaking to enhance its water supply with particular regard to security of supply in emergencies, backflow prevention, and demand management
- Drinking water supply - NMDHB-PHS supports all upgrade work toward the goal of Council supplies achieving full compliance with the Drinking Water Standards for New Zealand 2005 (revised 2008) [DWSNZ 2005/08]. NMDHB-PHS recommends that Council maintains its commitment to upgrades.
- Support the work to improve water quality issues in the Maitai River to lessen the likelihood of algal blooms.
- We note the planned work on air quality modelling and support this but would be concerned if there was a step backwards in the progress on improving air quality to lessen potential health effects and to meet environmental standards.
- Opportunities for participation in Council decision making process. NMDHB-PHS particularly valued the opportunity to contribute to the development of NCC's Local Alcohol Policy and is looking forward to working proactively with NCC on Council's Social Wellbeing Policy and it's related activities.
- NMDHB-PHS encourages the Council to continue with appropriate transport planning, infrastructure and services which will lead to improved health and wellbeing of your community and visitors.
- We congratulate Nelson City Council on the commitment to enhance Bridge Street to improve public safety and reduce alcohol related harm. We understand and acknowledge the need to focus on a fiscally responsible approach. The investment in the Bridge Street (page 9) enhancement has potential to boost the local economy. This would likely be sustained if the people who contribute to that economy feel safe, healthy and resilient.
- We strongly support the work NCC has done on the Nelson 2060 Strategy and how this will guide activities. We commend council on this framework for its long term view.

2. Issues NCC does not have in its plan but from a Public Health planning perspective need to be kept on NCC agenda and considered when drafting the next draft annual plan.

- Fluoridation of water supplies. Water fluoridation is an important method of improving oral health in people of all ages. We recommend that Council actively consider the introduction of water fluoridation. The NMDHB is willing to work with the Council on this issue.
- Sugar sweetened beverages. NMDHB-PHS recommends NCC considers making recreation facilities and events free from sugar sweetened beverages. The NMDHB-PHS is happy to work with NCC on sharing DHB policy work on this issue.

- Psychoactive Substances Act 2013, Local Approved Products Policy. NMDHB-PHS recommends that work continues on the development of Nelson City Council’s Local Approved Products Policy (LAPP). Enabling Council to enhance the controls on retail outlets selling “Legal Highs” while ensuring that the policy provides open and transparent sales and compliance with the legislation.

3. Recommended amendments to the plan that NMDHB wishes NCC include in its plan.

- NMDHB-PHS notes that grading (which is a voluntary Council activity) is one measure of water quality. However NMDHB-PHS believes that a wider measure under the current regulatory regime is more appropriate and could either replace or be in addition to the Grading performance measure. Therefore the NMDHB-PHS suggests the wording shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1. Suggested amendments to “PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND TARGETS FOR 2014/15” (page 17).

What Council Will Provide	Performance Measures	Current Performance	Year 2 Targets
Good quality water	Compliance with Part 2A of the Health Act 1956 Grading under Drinking Water Standards for NZ 2005/08 sampling and test standards	Full compliance with the DWSNZ 2005/08 not achieved for the 2012/2013 Survey period due to elevated Disinfection By-product concentrations at times. Compliance achieved with all other sections of Part 2A of the Act against which NCC was assessed by a DWA Council’s water supply has Ab grading – “A” for source and “b” for reticulation	Full compliance Maintain Maintain Ab grading at next assessment

Conclusion

The NMDHB-PHS believes the Nelson City Council Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015 reflects the current needs of the district within the context of the need to carefully monitor expenditure. The NMDHB-PHS values it’s working relationship with NCC and see it as very important for the NCC to continue to work in partnership with the NMDHB-PHS. The NMDHB-PHS is particularly interested in services and activities that will be of direct benefit to the wellbeing and health of the community. The NMDHB-PHS encourages the Council’s continued active commitment to leading and investing in social development of our communities and acknowledge, although difficult in current economic times, this is when it becomes even more important.

NMDHB values the opportunity to working with NCC to achieve the community outcomes. NMDHB-PHS looks forward to working proactively with NCC on its next Annual Plan and Long Term Plan.

Draft Annual Plan submission form

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Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

My thoughts about two aspects of the NCC proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

Maitai River.

My family & I have lived in Nn for about 40 years and have very many fond memories of swimming, trout fishing, rubber tubing, rope jumping, picnicing and suchlike activities in the various holes of the Maitai. Two or three times a week during Nn summertime we enjoyed this NO COST privilege.

But they ~~are~~ now are only memories!

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

Optional demographic information – your answers to the following questions would provide helpful information to Council. The questions are optional and your responses will be publicly distributed to those who review the draft Annual Plan submission forms:

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Gender: Male / Female

Have you made a submission before? Yes / No

My grandchildren aged 2 and 5 don't have these experiences or memories.

The water volume and quality no longer allows these free family activities to be enjoyed safely.

I am glad NCC is planning to attempt to rectify the Maitai River's health. If they can do it with \$400,000 I reckon that is mighty! Though I suspect it will take ongoing funds and effort. So for it! Nelsonians deserve a clean River.

Modellers Pond

Within my family's 40 years here we've not used the Modellers Pond. It has seemed a constant smelly, algal infested area of water, beloved of ducks.

I recall several attempts through the years to clean it up. They have not been successful for long.

Why pour another \$500,000 into it?

How much per boat-modeller does that represent?

To my mind, to contemplate spending \$500,000, plus close to \$1800 per week, for ducks and surely fewer than 30 persons is not good or fair use of rate payers money.

Fill it in!

Bev Mcshea

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Please find our submission attached.
We wish to speak in support.

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Submission on Draft Annual Plan 2014

The Nelson Tasman Chamber of Commerce (NTCC) represents over 520 businesses working throughout the region. This submission is on behalf of its membership.

We seek the opportunity to be heard in support of our submission.

Summary

The Chamber previously identified priorities remain:

1. **A Vision and Strategic Planning for the Nelson Tasman Region** – a combined Nelson/Tasman regional approach both in the short term and long term planning process continues to be a top priority for the Chamber. It is the Chamber's view that this will bring certainty and consistency which is good for business investment and growth.
2. **Support for Council's role in Economic Development** – Council does have a role to play in facilitating and promoting the economic development of our region. The Chamber continues to support the work of the EDA and Nelson Tasman Tourism.
3. **Transport** – the Chamber continues to put priority on ensuring we maintain and enhance our transportation network, in particular to ensure we meet the needs of our exporters. Preservation of the arterial route remains a priority.
4. **Water** - the Chamber recognises the importance of both water quality and availability. This remains a crucial issue to the ongoing economic health of the region. A regional approach is required and the promotion and encouragement of water conservation needs to be central.

SUBMISSION

Vision and Strategic Planning

The Annual Plan provides a fantastic opportunity for Nelson City Council to clearly mark itself as a Council that is open for business and committed to supporting the vibrant business community. The Chamber is committed to working with Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council to promote our region as a great place to do business in and from. This year there is a growing opportunity for Nelson to promote our businesses as part of the rebuild of Canterbury.

The Chamber's top priority continues to be a combined regional approach both in short term and long term planning. While more a matter for the Long Term Plan we note its importance and submit that a strategic partnership with Tasman District Council goes far beyond a commitment to shared services. It is this regional approach that is the single biggest difference local government can make to the well-being of the region.

In the Chamber's view, we lack scale in our region, with only 90,000 permanent citizens. For our local businesses to prosper and expand and employ more staff we need more customers, either from a sustained population growth



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and/or tourists (domestic and international) and/or visitors (business, conference, sports, events etc). For population growth we need more affordable land, easier building processes, more employment opportunities. For tourists we need sustained and co-ordinated promotion and for visitors for need more and better facilities (hotel accommodation, conference facilities, more larger dining options). Clearly, local government can not achieve that alone – but for private enterprise to work most effectively in partnership with local government to achieve that there needs to be a clear regional vision and regional strategic planning.

It is the Chamber's view that a clear combined regional growth strategy will bring certainty and consistency which is good for business investment and growth.

Nelson's current strength is that it is 'the best little city' with quality hospitality and cultural activities, combined with key employment opportunities, that can attract very talented and skilled people to live and work here. If we combine that with excellent customer service and ample parking, Nelson will continue to offer a vibrant small city experience for visitors and citizens.

Nelson is also currently within the top five in the Chorus Gigatown competition – having last year taken out the crown as a Google e town. This provides a good platform from which to develop a transformational Digital Strategy. The private sector is willing and able to lead that and is well placed to utilise IT to add value to our current economic sectors and to develop a leading edge in the development and provision of IT solutions for both a New Zealand and worldwide audience. In our submission, Nelson City Council can demonstrate its support for the development of a Digital Strategy of a calibre that will deliver economic benefits – and continue to showcase its support for Gigatown Nelson. The opportunities for our city – and region – of gaining broadband of that speed are enormous for business and all our citizens.

One of the opportunities for Council is to truly position itself as a "Business Friendly Council" delivering what the Local Government Report terms "business friendly outcomes". The Chamber welcomes the opportunity to work directly with both Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council in addressing issues around the building consent process (which affects builders, building designers and property owners) and land development (which affects developers, civil contractors, engineers, planners and surveyors). The Chamber has identified four key areas of concern:

- Consistency of decision making
- Time for decisions
- Cost of decisions
- Lack of overview/plan which identifies appetite for growth, the key areas for growth and the rules around that growth

A clear, comprehensive and well understood plan, with areas marked for development – both commercial and residential – will assist developers and encourage development in the areas that will support a vibrant Nelson. This plan should include Geotech information so risk is clear and well understood and able to be managed. This plan needs to be matched by a Council culture and approach that looks to foster, support and work with development opportunities as they arise for the good of the community and address any consenting or compliance issues in a proactive and positive fashion to get the best possible results.

The Chamber intends to submit in more detail on solutions in the land development area as part of the Long Term Plan Submissions, including the submission that combining the Nelson and Tasman Building Consent Units into one properly resourced unit to process all consent applications across the region would be an important step in improving consistency of decision making and communication. In the shorter term, the Chamber submits that Council appoint internal 'business ambassadors' to ensure Nelson City Council "rolls out the red carpet, not the red tape" for development and business investment. The concept behind these internal ambassadors, previously raised by the Chamber, is that the Council can best achieve a shift in business perception by ensuring Council staff with business experience and understanding are in key liaison positions, directly connecting with business people and with the authority and credibility to progress issues of concern.



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Support for Economic Development

The Chamber welcomes the on-going financial support for our RTO, Nelson Tasman Tourism, for destination marketing and visitor information functions. The Chamber believes there is definite merit in the destination marketing arm being connected to the visitor information centres/I sites throughout the district. This connection needs to ensure shared knowledge about the operations of each, strategic alignment of activities and promotions and consistent branding and messaging in both our off shore and on shore marketing. The Chamber is not advocating the status quo for the model of visitor centres or I Sites as the role and focus of these has and will continue to need to change as visitors seek to use and access information and bookings on a multitude of platforms. This change however is not unique to our region and the challenges and opportunities it presents are, in our view, most efficiently and effectively deal with by one body in a joined up and combined way in close collaboration with the particular communities – rather than each small community having to re-invent the wheel.

The Chamber also believes that a dedicated focus on tourism promotion is the most effective and efficient way for both Nelson and the wider region to generate tourism spend in our area. The Chamber welcomes and supports the on-going commitment to Nelson Tasman Tourism from the Nelson City Council.

It is the Chamber's strong view that local government funding for a professional organisation focused on promoting our region as a destination in a professional consistent and strategic way is critical to ensuring we are as effective as we can be in securing visitors to our region, thereby supporting our local businesses and services. Without that strategic overview, focus and direction for efforts, there is a real risk of a scattergun approach where small individual operators are left to fend for themselves and market independently rather than leverage off the collective tourism offering and strengths.

Transport

The Chamber urges Council to prioritise roading projects – in particular the preservation of the alternative route to the Port; the development of Rocks Road as a destination for visitors and locals, and improvements to Waimea Road.

The Chamber view is that the lost opportunity with our underdeveloped waterfront, including Tahunanui, will only be realized once the heavy through traffic is moved to the Southern arterial route and a thorough upgrade of the Victory Square area is prioritised.

The Chamber also supports the recovery work at Cable Bay.

Water

This remains a crucial issue to the on-going economic health of the region. A regional approach is required and the promotion and encouragement of water conservation needs to be central. The Chamber's key concern remains around how the Lee Dam is to be funded if it goes ahead.

The Chamber continues to support the proposed Lee Dam but we re-iterate our concern about the affordability and funding of it. Any scheme must be affordable for current land/water users, encourage water conservation in productive and urban areas and land use and enhance our region's ability to prosper – not stranglehold it.

The Chamber also supports the proposal to improve the water quality of the Maitai River.

Other Issues:

1. The Chamber supports the proposed infilling and urban residential development as a way to provide good accommodation options and ensure a vibrant inner city. Council can encourage and facilitate this development through ensuring it is easy for property owners to convert space into residential and ensure development costs are reduced for the development of land that close to the city.
2. Any additional investment in the Trafalgar Centre needs to centre around the purpose of that Centre and its future role. We encourage Council to move quickly on the future of the Centre as being left in its current unoccupied state will only deteriorate the asset. The Chamber has serious reservations about any significant additional investment in the centre. The Chamber does support Council progressing to look at the feasibility of a flat floor trade show/convention space, large conference facility and performing arts facility, noting the positive developments at the Rutherford and the serious shortage of alternative space for activities that had been scheduled for the Trafalgar Centre. The Chamber continues to support the School of Music, Theatre Royal (and Suter) for the contribution these vibrant cultural entities play in attracting and retaining talented people to live, work and invest in our region – and therefore the contribution they make in helping our region address one of the key challenges our region faces, now and in the future. Economists are signalling skill shortages as a significant constraint to growth and prosperity.
3. The Chamber supports the proposed capital works listed in the 2014/15 draft annual plan and would like to commend NCC and the proactive approach they have adopted on procuring their capital works program with early tendering and awarding of contracts. We understand this has allowed NCC to complete all proposed capital works within timeframes and in most cases under budget.
4. The Chamber welcomes a rating review, and submits that the review of the use and rate of the commercial rate provides an opportunity for council to signal its support for business development and a vibrant business community. The Chamber commends Nelson City Council on the proposal to reduce the charges for 'Separately Used or Inhabited Parts' of a rating unit and submits that Council continue to do as much as possible to reduce the costs of doing business and increase the number of initiatives that will help stimulate economic activity.
5. The Chamber also supports the proposed Bridge Street enhancement and agrees that good quality public spaces are important in achieving a vibrant CBD that provides public amenity and safety.
6. The Chamber supports the provision of adequate flood protection in the Todd Valley. The Chamber also submits that priority consideration be given to addressing (rather than deferring) issues around the Wakapuaka Sand Flats areas tidal control gates and culverts. The Chamber understands that both farmers and the Cawthron Aquaculture Park may be at flood risk.
7. Parking. Members of the Chamber continue to raise concerns around the availability of parking. The Chamber did participate in the Parking Study Workshop and for the majority of our members the priority is increased parking (especially for 3 hours). A clear advantage for Nelson inner city businesses will be parking availability – and the promotion of that. The Chamber would support investigation into the feasibility of additional parking, including the feasibility of a parking building.

Dot Kettle
Chief Executive

- THE NEW WALK/CYCLE WAY IN PARAPARA RD LOOKS MORE LIKE A HELICOPTER PAD THAT \$3 MILL COULD HAVE DONE A LONG WAY TO STRENGTHENING AND REOPENING THE TRAFALGAR CENTRE WHICH GENERATES AN INCOME - TAB HELIPAD WONT DO THAT

FOOTPATHS AROUND TANUNANUI DRIVE/ROCKS ROAD COULD DO WITH TARSEALING.

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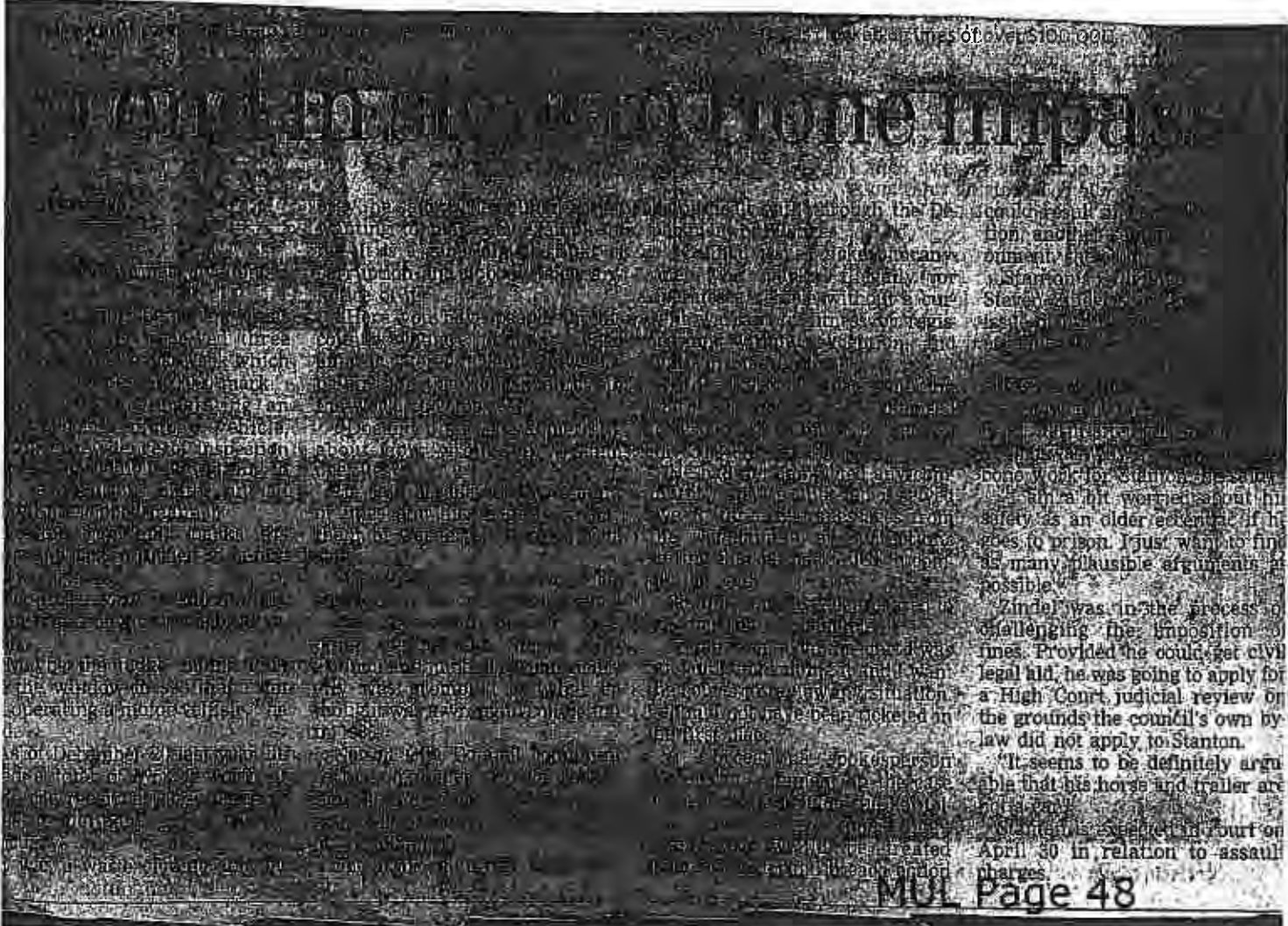
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IF I DIDN'T PAY MY RATES/TAXES I WOULD BE SCOPPED FROM USING THE ROADS & WHY I ENIT HG - THE REST OF US HAVE TO PAY OUR WAY

IT'S TIME THIS PERSON WAS TAKEN TO COURT FOR CRUELTY TO ANIMALS - AND THAT POOR HORSE GIVEN A Paddock OF GREEN GRASS

NOONE SHOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE A HORSE STAND FOR HOURS ON A TARSEALED STREET WITH ITS HEAD IN A BUCKET OF WHEAT OR CORN

HG HAS GOT MONS4 - I'VE SEEN HIM AT THE SUPERMARKET!



NEW CYCLE WAY ST VINCENT ST
 LOGIC WOULD HAVE PUT A GREEN BIKE LANE ON EACH SIDE OF
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 ALSO WHEN ONE GETS TO THE ROUNDABOUTS THEY WOULD BE ON
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New two-way cycle lane confuses users

Businesses worried

Kate Davidson

The new road layout on St Vincent St is causing confusion and concerns for road users and businesses.

The Nelson City Council has put in a two-way cycle lane between Totara St and Gloucester St on the side next to the pathway.

On the outside of the cycle lane car parking has been changed to straight parks rather than angled.

The changes have a number of businesses along St Vincent St worried.

Lloyd Elliott, owner of Osprey Boats, called the layout "a balls-up".

"The other day we were sitting outside and an ambulance came up the road and there were cars in front of it, obviously they had to pull over and they had nowhere to go, so cars pulled over and drove up the cycle lane so the ambulance could go past."

He said the new layout was creating a backlog of traffic as there was nowhere to pass vehicles waiting to turn.

It was also causing headaches for his business as "it was virtually impossible to get out of the yard with a boat on the back" safely.

He said it was not a car versus bike issue, but about "safety for everyone and all road users, it's just not practical".

Sharon Nisbett and Jenny Cunningham, of Rockgas, had witnessed mothers with prams walking in the lane and said drivers had "so much to contend with" as parked cars blocked the view of oncoming traffic making it difficult to pull out safely onto the



Open all hours: The new cycle lane on St Vincent St at 3.15pm on Monday.

road. "It's hard to get out of here at night," said Nisbett. "One has to first stop for the pedestrians and it's both left and right, then you get through a bit further and you have to give way to cyclists who are coming at you at both ways, but then you have to get out further so you can see the cars."

Cunningham said parking on that side of the road should have been done away with and more signage and education would have been helpful. Graham Boland, of Nelson Auto Parts, said he had seen people pulling behind parked cars thinking it was a third lane and others turning and driving down the cycle

lane. He said the council had sent a letter allowing businesses to object to the plans "but I thought they must know what they were doing". Bicycle Nelson Bays coordinator John-Paul Pochin was using the lane yesterday morning and said it was "a great facility" which encouraged more people,

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especially children to feel safer about getting on their bikes as a mode of transport, but it was not finished and Bicycle Nelson Bays was pushing the council for improvements. "We see this as the first stage and it was one of those facilities where it was better to get something in than nothing at all and it



Wrong turn: A motorist performs a U-turn into the new cycle lane on St Vincent St.

allows us then to build up the numbers and push for improvements to it," he said. "The next stages will be to carry on this straight down St Vincent St and we are looking at the across town links now so it's not complete and that link into town needs to be tidied up."

Cyclists had to go through two roundabouts while on the new lane and there was some confusion about how to navigate these when travelling against the traffic flow.

Pochin said roundabouts were "notorious" for cyclists and suggested traffic lights might work better.

Cyclists could cross the roundabouts at islands and confident users could go through the roundabout.

Sberes Lauchlan and Gwen Hall, of Stoke, were using the lane for the first time yesterday.

"We've only just hit it I think it's weird being on the wrong side of the road," said Lauchlan.

They pointed out that cyclists coming along the left-hand side of St Vincent's would have a hard

time crossing over to the cycle path from the roundabout, but overall thought the path was good especially for children and with a designated space for car doors opening.

Nitika Ennion, living on the corner of Victory and Northesk streets, said it was a great facility and she had seen more cyclists out and about since it had been installed, but she had also noticed some confusion about how to use it with one friend asking if it was possible to U-turn using the lane.

Council communications manager Angela Ricker said they had received positive feedback about the changes, had informed the public of the new layout and there was no issue with vehicles being partly over a cycle lane for the short length of time while waiting for a break in the traffic to pull into.

She said she suspected issues would be resolved once people adjusted to the changes and the council would monitor the situation.

It also plans to continue the lane all the full length of St Vincent St.

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- ① Modellers Pond
- ② Access to and from the Brook Valley
- ③ Brook Stream water quality
- ④ Brook Hinterland and Recreational area - NEED FOR PLANNING.
- ⑤ BROOK HOLIDAY PARK
- ⑥ BROOK WAIMARAMA SANCTUARY

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15th April 2014 Submission from Donna Butler, 588 Brook St Nelson

Modeller's pond at Tahunanui.

I do not support up to \$600,000 being spent on the modeller's pond nor a proposed annual maintenance cost of \$90,000.

I have no objection in principle to having a modeller's pond, at a reasonable cost, however if it costs this amount of money to get the pond up and running at its present location, then this I don't believe is a viable option, or a responsible spending of money.

It seems that the pond is in an extremely difficult location, and doesn't allow for good water flow to flush the pond with a normal tide.

Maybe an alternative could be found where there was either a constant water flow (a pond with freshwater flow), or closer to the estuary/mudflats with regular tidal flow.

I believe the proposed costs are excessive.

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15th April 2014 Submission from Donna Butler; 588 Brook St Nelson

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Access to and from the Brook valley .

There has been a huge increase in commuter bike travel up and down the Brook valley by both adults and children . This trend is set to continue.

Although a consultation paper has been out suggesting a designated off-road cycle way , this has not been adopted, and cyclists will have to continue to use the road .

I would ask the council to seriously consider an off road in and out of Nelson city to accommodate the growing numbers of commuter and recreational bikers.

I would ask the council to seriously consider alternative routes in and out of the Brook valley (Via Bishopdale/Marsden valley), to accommodate those bike/walking commuters who work in the west side of Nelson, Stoke and Nelson , and give an alternative route for recreational users.

Richmond

15/4/2014.



15th April 2014 Submission from Donna Butler; 588 Brook St Nelson

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Brook Stream Water quality

Water quality of the Brook stream needs to be upgraded, and included in the proposed at the same time the Maitai river water quality occurs.

People **do swim** in the Brook.

This year (in the middle of the summer heat) I saw desperate mountain bikers strip off and plunge into ,what is commonly known as the” dog pool” (the pool at the bridge by Betsy Eyre park), and there are a series of small swimming holes , alongside “codgers Track “ that people swim in . These swimming holes in the past, were deepened each year by a council digger, but more commonly now, little dams are created to deepen the holes.

Children, including my own, and against instructions, play in the pool behind the Brook st dairy.

The Brook must be the largest tributary of the Maitai, so essentially they are one in the same catchment, if the water quality is to be improved at the Collingwood St Bridge then the water quality of the Brook will have to be looked at.

Fish and aquatic life.

While the Brook has some truly beautiful areas, which support a healthy ecosystem, at other places it is treated more like a gutter. It would be wonderful if the area which is exposed in the “channelling” could be enhanced to allow fish and other aquatic life to survive here, and allow for a natural migration to and from the more fish friendly areas to occur.

I believe the Brook stream should be included in the Maitai upgrade.

I believe the Maitai/Brook upgrade is an excellent spend of money and fully support it.

15/4/2014.



15th April 2014 Submission from Donna Butler, 588 Brook St Nelson

Brook St Hinterland and Recreational Area, need for planning and provision of services.

The Brook area has superb recreational, conservation, historical, social and geological attributes.

It is wonderful to see many people appreciating and enjoying these wonderful features that we are so lucky to have, and so close to the city.

I do wonder if planning and infrastructure has fallen behind the Brooks current and potential use.

I think the Tahuna Beach area is wonderful example of good planning and infrastructure, and its landscaping is outstanding. Full credit to the council for providing, designated user group areas, multi user areas, picknicking, recreational, commercial, and even further along it has housing for wildlife (penguin boxes) whose very existence depends on our stewardship.

I would love to see the council work towards a similar ideal for the Brook.

I think it is time for a cohesive plan for the future to put in place for the area , particularly around the "codgers track", Andrews farm area, where different interests sometimes come into conflict.

The Brook/Maitai area is a vast area and should easily be able to meet everyone's needs.

The outstanding issues seem to be parking, designated tracks for different user groups, multi-use areas, really good and frequent signage. Nice public loos would be great along with park benches and even a simple doggy-do bag dispenser or two or three are really overdue.

The Brook area is going to be used more and more, simply because of population growth and increasing recreational use. People are and want to use this wonderful area , and some things have gone ahead and happened because there is a something of a planning vacuum here.

The Beach/waterfront/Maitai areas have wonderful facilities and landscaping, as a result of good planning, It is now time for the **Brook area** to benefit from cohesive planning as a way forward .

15/4/2014.



15th April 2014 Submission from Donna Butler, 588 Brook St Nelson

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Brook Holiday Park

I would like to see the Brook holiday park continue, as a campground and multi- use area.

I remember as a child having picnics at the park, and swimming in the pool.

It came as shock to me to come back to the area and find rusty car bodies in the once pool, and more recently (2 years ago) a pig being raised in unsavoury solitary confinement.

It is interesting to note how many non-compliant activities (building etc) have been able to have gone on in a public campground, that on private land would not be permissible .

So while stated that in the past the campground may have run at a profit (?), lots of other non-compliant activities would also run at a profit!, usually not on public land .

I have no issue with people staying there who have called the park there home for a number of years, and would be keen to see some mutually agreeable long term solution that would allow them to continue living there for some time, years (?) into the future.

I would like to see the Brook holiday park to become a **compliant well managed** campground that allows for continued accommodation, for people that have called it their home for a number of years. I would also like the park to become a multi-use area, as it has in the past, and to become an attractive resource, Gateway and visitor area to the Brook sanctuary.

15/4/2014



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Brook Waimarama Sanctuary

I have been a volunteer and supporter of the sanctuary since its inception. I think council investment and support for this project will help go towards building a terrific asset for the Nelson region.

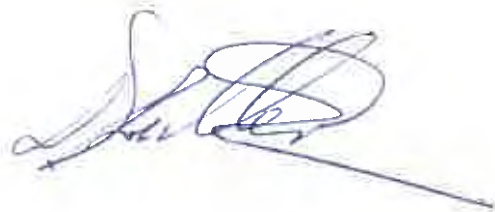
It has been devastating to see local extinctions of our lovely and unique birdlife, in our region, in my lifetime.

This sanctuary will allow a safe haven for endangered flora and fauna, that otherwise seems to be attacked on every front .

Having been a "trapper" in the sanctuary for over 10 years, and still catching rats, mice, possums and stoats , proves to me that while trapping may help a little to keep predator numbers down , a pest proof fence is the only viable solution .

I fully support the Brook Waimarama sanctuary and the council's support of the sanctuary.

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Mayor and Councillors,

21 April 2014

SUBMISSION ON DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2014-15

On behalf of Nelson Grey Power Assn Inc I submit the following comments on the draft Annual Plan for 2014-15.

Nelson Grey Power is New Zealand's largest Association with 9862 members and about 5500 of these live within the Nelson City boundaries. Many of our members are living on limited incomes and we therefore want to see ratepayers money spent wisely on **essential not desirable projects**.

Generally speaking we are happy with the proposals contained in the Draft and are very happy to see that the new requirements under the Local government Act 2013 are mainly being followed. Council is to be commended for re- prioritising the work programme and reducing some elements of the capital programme. The average rate increase proposed of 3.7% is at an acceptable level and we wish to commend Mayor Rachel Reese for honouring her promise to keep rates at this level.

We do however have some concerns on which I comment as follows:-

Key Issues and New Projects:

Stoke/Greenmeadows Community Facility –

The need for this facility is supported but it must be seen as a community project with considerable local input, during the planning stages, from clubs/organizations in the Stoke area. Ideally a **Project Working Group** should be formed comprising key Stoke residents reporting to Councils Community Services Committee.

Air Quality-

We are disappointed that this statement was not couched in a more positive way and once again the dogmatic approach of Council Environmental Staff hell bent on seeing no change comes to the fore. This matter has been a priority as far as this Association is concerned as many of our members are affected and will remain unrelenting in our representations.

Emergency Rainfall Events –

With a significant Government Grant being made to assist with this work we assume the Disaster Recovery Fund will see some easing of the ratepayer contribution at least for this financial year.

Events Venues –

Trafalgar Centre – We appreciate that Council has taken a responsible stance with regard to the closure of the Centre and we now await further information once the foundation and engineering reports become available. Our view is that if an "affordable" sum of money was required to meet the costs of opening the centre then this expenditure would be supported. If however an excessive amount was required then we would want to see other options being considered by Council including the building of a new multi purpose venue.

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Nelson School of Music –

As a matter of principal we are strongly of the view that this facility should be required to operate in a financially viable manner and no further commitment of ratepayer's money should be made until the redevelopment plans and costs are known.

Theatre Royal –

Once again as a matter of principal we are of the view that this facility should be required to operate in a financially viable manner

We are therefore disturbed to see that the Theatre Royal is once again facing financial demise and the ratepayers are being called upon to bail it out. The defaulted loan for which payments have been deferred should have been the wake- up call for the Theatre Royal Trust. Obviously they are in a much more critical financial situation than they have admitted to in the past and before Council provides any more ratepayers money to this private organisation, it must ensure due diligence has been carried out and such funding is justified. We hope this does not set a precedent for other organisations servicing the community, who encounter financial difficulties to do likewise. Organisations such as Nelson Cricket and the Tasman Rugby Union are two that have recovered from major financial woes without falling back on the ratepayers of Nelson. The easy way out for this organisation would be to continue to rely on the ratepayer for financial support and this must not be condoned by Council.

Saxton Field –

We are most concerned to learn that the cost of upgrading the Saxton Stadium will be in excess of \$600,000 and that approximately \$400,000 of this is to cover the cost of setting up the Stadium for the Giants basketball team which is a professional privately owned sports franchise. We further understand that the \$600,000 was transferred from the Trafalgar Centre Capital Expenditure account and that money was allocated originally for the Trafalgar Centre North End improvement programme. We are staggered that Council has agreed to this expenditure (whilst we have no issue with the cost for making the Saxton Stadium useable by many other non sporting organisations) and now ask Council how much is the Giants franchise providing from gate takings to offset the huge cost to ratepayers. This decision was obviously made in a panic situation and it appears Council has succumbed to the overtures of a professional sports entity when it should not have. It would have been far better for Council to have persuaded the Giants to go to Blenheim for this season where a purpose built Stadium was available and offered.

Updates on Council Projects for Year 3:-

We support the proposed expenditure on all projects for the 2014/15 year with the exception of the Modellers Pond. We are concerned about the level of annual expenditure being \$ 93,000 a year for the foreseeable future. What is the breakdown of this cost? Is the wind mill pumping option being suggested a realistic option to consider?

Deferred Projects:-

We agree with these listed projects being deferred.

We would suggest that the **Destination Playground for Rutherford Park** could be taken on as a Rotary or Lions Club project at minimal cost to ratepayers. Has this been considered as an option?

Other Concerns We have:-

Brook Sanctuary:-

We have real concerns for the long term viability of this project. At what point will the operating Trust be required to fund this venture from other than rate payer fund. Similar ventures have failed in other parts of New Zealand. We will be watching how this is managed very closely as it has all the hallmarks of another "Theatre Royal" scenario.

Southern Link:-

While not specifically mentioned in the draft plan this issue is very much a "living and ongoing" topic of concern. In the LTCCP 2012-22 under Transport, there is a statement that "There is not a significant traffic problem in Nelson, nor is one forecast to develop over the next 25 years". This clearly shows that the Southern Link is NOT required due to present day traffic congestion but rather is a "crusade" by a section of the community to move heavy traffic from around the Port, to through a densely populated area of the inner city. This will result in heavy vehicle emissions in a concentrated residential area and the health of the community in the path of the Southern link must take priority over "tourist beautification" of Rocks Road. Many of our elderly members live in the Waimea Road/Victory/Vanguard Valley, Washington areas and we must not forget the schools and pre-schools in those areas, some just metres from the Railway Reserve. We believe Council needs to address the health issues arising from vehicle emissions before expending more money and time on a link itself.

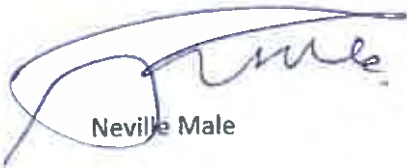
Footpaths and Mobility Scooters:-

We are disturbed with the number of footpaths within the city that are in a poor state and have made Council aware of this. Footpaths are as important as cycle ways and provide an important recreational facility for our members. We have had a number of reports of older people falling on uneven footpaths and mobility scooters having difficulty maneuvering.

Staff Expenditure:-

It is pleasing to see that the budget is showing a reduction of \$1.06m for the 2014/15 financial year. CEO Claire Hadley has had a difficult time in making changes to the staffing structure and we congratulate her for the work she has done in this regard.

We wish to appear to speak to our submission and during the day would be the most suited time.



Neville Male

President

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Parks

Saxton Field

- Support resolving the governance issues at Saxton Field as soon as possible. Request partnering with Sport Tasman to develop and implement marketing plans and strategies, which is an area of strength for them.

Conservation Reserves

- Request maintenance of existing budgets required to provide for protection and enhancement of biodiversity values through weed and pest control programmes. This includes funding for the annual goat and weed control programmes within the Maitai/Roding Conservation Reserves that have nationally significant conservation values (mineral belt endemic plants) and form an important buffer to the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary.

Wakapuaka Sandflats environmental enhancement

- Removal of capital funding supported however request that staff time be allocated to further develop options and costings in conjunction with other stakeholders to be available for input/consideration to the LTP process next year.

Stoke/Greenmeadows Community and Sports Facility

- Initial funding allocation to investigate shared community and sporting facilities on Greenmeadows Reserve is supported

Modeller's Pond

- Support partially filling in the pond to a much smaller lined size to be adequate for the Society of Modellers (and able to be treated) and work with the Model Yacht Squadron on supporting alternative venues for their operation
- Do not support the use of fish for managing the pond as it is currently configured - unless the Council is 100% confident there of no risks of these fish becoming pest fish and the Department of Conservation supports this approach.

Destination Playground for Rutherford Park

- Deferral supported

Tasman Heights Walkway

- Deferral supported – due to slower subdivision development than anticipated

Environment

Maitai River

- Additional funding to support improving the health of the Maitai River is not supported due to not enough detail being provided in the Annual Plan Summary regarding what immediate measures are planned (capital works and operations) and which budgets would be reduced to provide for this work.

Flood Protection

Brook Stream catchment strategy

- Support commencing this work including review of this channel design for maintaining ecosystem services (e.g. fish passage etc) as well as flood protection

Facilities

Trafalgar Centre

- Support whatever investigation/design funding is required to resolve this important issue.
- Also request that the closure decision taken in December be reviewed by fully considering the revised risk based on new engineering information, likelihood (exposure period) as well as consequence for any earthquake event (NZ Risk

Management Framework) as well as referencing with how other public facility building owners are managing similar issues elsewhere (if this has not already been done). This would either reconfirm the decision taken in December was the right one or that community use at some level may be possible.

Trafalgar Centre renewals programme

- Removal of this budget supported – for as long as centre remains closed

School of Music

- Support working with the school to integrate development plans and required earthquake strengthening

Theatre Royal

- Support an increase of operational funding support to \$220,000 provided the Trust can demonstrate an appropriate pricing and marketing strategy is in place.

Marina Hardstand

- Progress on this hardstand supported (although the proposed funding does not appear to be adequate?)
- The reasons why this project was delayed should have been included in the Draft Annual Plan

Emergency Management

Ongoing Impact of Emergency Rainfall Events

- Additional allocation of \$500,000 to boost the disaster recovery fund is supported (with this matter needing to be revisited for the 2015-25 LTP process next year)

Transport

Walking and Cycling projects

(Maitai shared path Collingwood Street to Nile Street, Rocks Road walk/cycle project, Tod Bush Road Footpath, Maitai Walkway connection across Trafalgar Street, Bishopdale to The Ridgeway shared path, The Brook area walking and cycling improvements)

- Adjustments to budgets to allow these to progress all supported

Walkway Access - Stanley Crescent to Haven Road

Request to Council:

- **To make provision within the 2014-15 Annual Plan to investigate the feasibility of reinstating walkway access between Stanley Crescent and Haven Road**

Introduction

As Councillors will be aware, as a result of the severe weather event in December 2011, a popular and well loved walkway located on Wakatu Incorporation land (Matangi Awhio) linking Haven Road to the end of Stanley Crescent was severely damaged.

Given that the provision of urban connecting walkways was not its core role, that the walkway was originally installed by Council, and that it suffered substantial damage, Wakatu opted to permanently close this path.

The walkway was previously well used both by immediate residents on the Port Hills (Stanley Crescent, Britannia Heights, Victoria Heights Upper St Pleasant, Beachville and Russell Sts) for daily commuting to school, work, shopping and recreation as well as by the wider community as a pleasant option for important regular exercise.

This submission appeals to the Council to investigate the feasibility of reinstalling some form of walkway access in this location given the importance of urban connecting walkways to the Nelson community in encouraging the reduced use of vehicles (fossil fuel consumption) as well as the well proven benefits of regular exercise to the health and well being of its residents.

Council Policy

A wide range of Council policy exists that supports actions to ensure that the city that is well laid out and provides for good connections between where people live, work, purchase goods and services and play.

The LTP, of which this Annual Plan is a part, defines a number of 'Council outcomes', which are a statement of the measures of success that this plan is working to achieve. Of these Outcome 2 clearly supports this objective:

Outcome 2 – People friendly Places

We build healthy and accessible and attractive places and live in a sustainable region

- *Urban and rural areas are designed to be child, family and people-friendly.*
- *Attractive, safe, accessible and walkable 'city villages' provide for people of all ages and abilities through good urban design.*

Nelson 2060 adapted by Council in 2013 clearly also has a vision of a "sustainable city of beauty and connectivity" which includes the need for attractive connections between communities and services as a key means to achieve this vision.

Other policies including Transport and Parks Activity Management Plans, and walking and cycling strategies also support this objective.

Demand

When the walkway was in place prior to December 2011, it was heavily used by residents living in the Stanley Crescent, Britannia Heights, Victoria Heights Upper St Pleasant, Beachville and Russell Sts areas. This general immediate catchment of users comprises around 140 properties (or 336 residents based on average 2.4 people per dwelling from the 2013 Census). Historically wider use by residents from other areas extending to the Tahunanui Hills also occurred. In addition, this walkway was a core route for recreational groups such as the Nelson Striders, Nelson Harrier Club, Hash House Harriers and Top of the South Orienteering.

Alternative options

With the closure of the walkway in 2011, the most direct means to access the CBD from the Port Hills has been via Beachville Crescent and Maori Road. While Maori Road has a footpath, this finishes at a blind corner, after which the following section of Beachville Terrace is effectively a single lane road due to roadside carparking, without a footpath or identified as a shared zone (as recently developed on Queens Road and Locking St)



The damage on the Wakatu land between Stanley Crescent and Haven Road in December 2011 was severe with substantial slipping wiping out complete sections of the previous walkway. There is however an unformed section of Stanley Crescent that exists beyond the current road end that extends partway down the hill, (and is also close to linking with the Valley Heights subdivision).

There is currently an informal route being used through this section through to Haven Road, however this does cross private land on its lower portion.

Community support

The Stanley Crescent and upper Beachville Crescent residents have been active in networking with each other to enhance security (neighbourhood support) as well as future potential for resource sharing and ultimately increased community resilience. There is a strong willingness within this community to assist the Council with any support it is able to provide towards the investigation, and if feasible, the development of any future walkway either through a minor variation to its current location, or by the development of a new walkway alignment from the end of the unformed section of Stanley Crescent.

Response from Staff to date

Approaches to Council in various forms from some residents has resulted in staff advising that because there is private land involved NZTA would not be interested in funding and that residents should be talking to the Wakatu Incorporation.

Council clearly has a role to ensure the Nelson community is well connected (as per the Nelson 2060 document) and that it is not up to the NZTA or the Wakatu Incorporation. To say otherwise is clearly misleading. As we all know the Council can negotiate land purchase or easements when it access to private land.

Conclusion

Walking access for this community to local amenities is clearly poor with a substandard walking environment on Beachville Crescent being the only access for residents since the closure of the Haven Road to Stanley Crescent walkway in 2014. The community recognise this is a difficult area to serve well with walkways but is willing to work with the Council on investigating the feasibility of reinstating this valued walkway.

Thank you for your consideration of this submission.

Natascha Van Dien

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Tena koe,

Please find attached a submission from Wakatu Incorporation for the NCC Annual Plan.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

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24th April 2014

Wakatu Incorporation submission on:-

Nelson City Council Draft Annual Plan 2014-15

Background

The submitter represents the descendants of the original Maori land owners (the owners) and has significant land holdings Nelson, with interests throughout the Region. The owners comprise the families and hapu of the mana whenua ki Whakatu (Ngati Tama, Te Atiawa, Ngati Rarua and Ngati Koata). They have direct links to and responsibility for Whakatu Marae, Nelson.

This submission process is extremely important to the submitter as it provides an opportunity of having input into decisions that directly affect their ability to use and develop their lands.

This submission therefore also addresses the governance of their lands.

The Submitters wish to be heard.

The specific aspects of this submission are as follows:

A. MĀORI PARTICIPATION IN DECISION MAKING PROCESS

As the guardians (kaitiaki) of the land, the Submitter seeks recognition of the rights and responsibilities of Maori in relation to the decision making process under Council's control.

This role is recognised and provided for mainly under the Local Government Act and the under the Resource Management Act. This is seen as a partnership with Maori and is based on the Treaty of Waitangi principles, which both Tangata Whenua and Council aspire to.

The submitter acknowledges and appreciates the efforts of the Council in moving forward with Maori representation and participation in all decisions affecting Maori interests, land and resources.

i. Tiakina te Taiao

The Submitter is a member of Tiakina te Taiao, a group which represents the Mana Whenua in the Nelson and Motueka regions. Tiakina te Taiao is a highly professional organisation with a strong governance and management structure which operates as a provider of specialist advice and as a forum for resource consent issues to be considered and discussed by the key Iwi and Hapu organisations in the region. This mechanism allows a consensus to be

reached in a timely and cost effective manner which allows the Council to fulfil its obligations under the RMA and for developers to progress with certainty that they have carried out an appropriate level of consultation. The Submitter is of the opinion that Tiakina represents the most effective way for parties to engage with Mana Whenua and for clear guidance to be provided into the RMA process. The alternative is for RMA applicants to engage with a number of separate entities which, as well as taking additional time and cost, is likely to result in conflicting input and a significant weakening of the process.

The Submitter strongly recommends that Council continue to support Tiakina financially and promote it as its preferred mechanism for the execution of its duties under the RMA. It is suggested that the Council engage with Tiakina to review their funding contribution to reflect their actual running costs.

ii. Te Tau Ihu Treaty Settlements

The Submitter notes the comments regarding the Te Tau Ihu Treaty Settlements on Page 6 of the Draft Annual Plan and in particular the Statutory Acknowledgement contained within this legislation. The submitter requests that the Council includes some clear actions within the AP to deliver on this aspect. It is proposed that the following measures are adopted:-

- Mana whenua and Maori representation on various Council Committees as part of the decision making process to give effect to a bicultural principal based Treaty of Waitangi partnership.
- Alteration to the elected representatives' makeup to provide for separate elected Mana whenua and Maori Representation to sit on Council and progress discussions on implementation models in good faith with Maori.
- Providing financial support and assistance with training of Maori to become Commissioners to sit on RMA Hearings.
- Need to continue to provide for further recognition of Maori interest in developments and community projects and seek Maori input on all matters affecting Maori interests, land and resources
- Need to reinforce Mana Whenua status and ways to foster development of Maori capacity.
- Continue to make a firm commitment to training councillors and staff on Maori perspectives, particularly as they relate to the mana whenua ki Nelson.

- Continue to involve and consult with Mana Whenua in the integration of Maori design of public art, cultural interpretation, urban design and culturally appropriate signage and panels

B. PROPERTY ASSETS REVIEW

The Submitter notes the Council's intention to carry out a review of its property assets. As a significant land owner within the Council area as well as the proprietor of the reversionary interest in a number of Council properties acquired under the Public Works Act, the Submitter has a strong interest in this review

This matter was considered in some detail in 2012 and a Memorandum of Understanding was drafted acknowledging Wakatu Incorporation's and the Council's mutual interests and legal obligations when dealing with certain land in the area. The Submitter requests that this MoU is now executed and that Wakatu is engaged with the Council in its review of assets to ensure that areas of mutual interest are discussed appropriately to the mutual benefit of both parties.

C. MAITAI RIVER

Due to the importance of the Maitai River to the health and well-being of the City the Submitter strongly supports the proposal to invest in the improvement of its water quality. This is on the proviso that appropriate steps are taken to ensure that the cultural values of the river are protected.

D. STORMWATER AND FLOOD PROTECTION

The Submitter supports the upgrade of the Saxton & Orphanage Creeks to alleviate flood risk in this area and ensure that the capacity of these streams are sufficient to cope with flood events and an increased demand for stormwater in these areas.

E. RATES INCREASES

The Submitter supports the need to reconsider priorities but it is also very necessary to boost and generate economic growth.

The Submitter are pleased to see a limited rates rise but are concerned that fees and charges continue to increase.

The costs of development are ever increasing making the viability of development more difficult. Current market conditions are biased against development as developers face weak demand, lengthy sale periods and ever increasing costs. This provides little incentive for new developments to be undertaken.

F. RATES RELIEF

The submitter seeks that “*rates relief*” be granted for landowners under the following criteria:

- Landowners that protect (and suitably develop) archaeological sites, cultural sites (both Māori and European), significant landscape features and notable vegetation (native bush etc) or other sites of significance
- Policy on Rate Relief for Maori Freehold Land. The submitters believe that a rates remission policy should be adopted as a matter of urgency to include not only Maori Freehold land but all land owned by Maori, including Maori Freehold, Maori Customary Land and Papakainga Land. Such a policy should take into consideration remission policies for all of these lands.

G. MARAE

Marae are an important showcase for the region by hosting important visitors to the area. They are important cultural and heritage sites for all of the community. The submitter requests that the Council make allowance for financial assistance for the operation, maintenance and upgrade of these facilities.

H. REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The submitter supports the Regional Economic Development Agency, which is important for fostering economic developments throughout the region.

The Submitter would encourage the Council to consider adopting targeted rates relief policy to encourage economic development. Other regional authorities use similar forward thinking policies that would allow the Council the discretion to target rate relief for the purposes of attracting new industry to the region. Such relief is temporary, and the up-front deferral of income will have longer term payback by encouraging growth and employment. Such a policy could be used to support the development of newly allocated aquaculture water space in the region.

I. INFRASTRUCTURE

Transport – The Council needs to make a firm decision as a way forward to resolving the congestion during peak traffic flow periods as a result of the Arterial Traffic Study.

J. OTHER MATTERS

Matangi Awhio

The submitter owns land known as Matangi Awhio (Auckland Point). This is culturally significant area to iwi as the birth place of the City. The Submitter has developed the land over time planting in natives and providing a walking

track from the bottom of Haven Road to Stanley Crescent. The walkway was damaged by landslip in 2011 and the Council is called upon to enter into discussions with the landowner over the repair and reopening of the walkway, which will benefit everyone in the community alongwith the natural environment.

Lee Valley Dam

It is understood that NCC has elected not to continue being involved with the Lee Valley Dam Project, the Submitter views this to be short sighted as the benefits of this project are region wide. Horticultural production on the Waimea Plains supports a number of businesses, particularly in Stoke as well as securing the future of both the Port and the Airport both of which are critical to the future economic health of Nelson City, particularly as an export hub.

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.

Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

Public Information

Submissions to Council consultations are public information. Your submission will be available to the media and public.

Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

Commend Council on supporting lane adjustment at the Tainui lights. Well done.

Bridge Street. The seat that moves is looking tired and needs either removing or updating. Pocket Park a great oasis. Needs support.

Could night club owners be encouraged to repaint in brighter welcoming colours? And turn the volume down on the music - hypes up people at lam.

Redump parking Strawbridge Car Park Stoke. Encourage a space for

Stoke Community Constable to be available in a building with

access off the Car Park. The current station if someone is there is not

very accessible - particularly to the less able and mobile.

There is not time to cross the streets calmly. Please attach additional sheets if needed.

Optional demographic information - your answers to the following questions would provide helpful information to Council. The questions are optional and your responses will be publicly distributed to those who review the draft Annual Plan submission forms.

Age: under 21 21 - 39 40 - 64 65 and over

Gender: Male Female

Have you made a submission before? Yes No

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There is not time to cross the streets controlled by the lights in the 7 seconds. Even a child cannot get there in that time as I have watched to see. This is unsettling particularly for the elderly who do not understand that when the red man flashes it is still all right to keep crossing and – hopefully – no cars will enter.

As those who do not believe Rocks Road is safe for cyclists, car or heavy transport we do not want too much spent on a walk/cycle way particularly if it is going to detract from the road as it is. Would prefer that money be put in to completing the route to the Port taking heavy transport off this road. With a well constructed By Pass the people in the Victory area would also be advantaged with a better traffic flow.

Commend any work being done to up grade waste water and storm water work and flood protection.

Could the area where the State Advances building is be demolished and a small but suitable performing arts centre be built – It is close to car parking facilities

As members of the Broadgreen Historic House Committee we are disappointed that the earthquake strengthening of the basement of the House has been deferred.. As weekend guides for the House it is a privilege to hear the comments of visitors to the House. Please keep up your interest in this well preserved historic home – part of Nelson's heritage.

Rahi Hall
RZ Hall

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No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Your submission

I wanted to express my support for your work improving the city centre and the streamways around the region. In particular your work on the stream ways in Stoke and Tahunanui and your planned upgrades to Bank Lane and Bridge Street.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

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Have you made a submission before?

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Yes

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Your submission

As per document attached below

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24 April 2014

SUBMISSION OF VICTORY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE TO 2014/5 DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN OF NELSON CITY COUNCIL.

1 Introduction. Victory Community Health Centre.

Our mission is to provide community-owned, low cost, accessible and appropriate services and activities that support health and wellbeing. We have been uniquely based here on the Victory Primary School campus for 7 years now – a community organisation in partnership with a school, and also reaching into the wider Nelson city, and also wider NZ with a special interest in community-led development. We see ourselves as furthering the goals and vision of the Council and the long term commitment to Framing our Future. Our comments and suggestions about the Annual Plan for 2014-15 are as follows:

(brief description of history and work in the community of the community health centre.)

1. Corporate

We continue to support the Victory community's participation in democratic decision-making, partnership and civic involvement by holding at least one Council committee meeting at Victory Centre per annum –suggest the Community Services committee as a start.(from last years submission).

We would welcome progress on this goal ,(Goal Two of the 2060 Vision), possibly through the signalled representation review. (p.58).

2. St. Vincent Street Cycleway

We wish to congratulate the council for its work on the new cycleway down St Vincent Street and its linkages to the existing Railway Reserve walkway and cycleway. We remain convinced that improving the accessibility and safety of all road users benefits the community as a whole, but more especially those with mobility issues. We would welcome the early completion of the Vanguard Street roadworks as there is an increased demand for vehicle traffic using the Motueka Street/Vanguard Street link to town. The new 40kph zone speed limit outside Victory School is a benefit to school children going to and from school but we would wish to see better intersection control at the foot of Franklyn Street opposite the school.

3. Interpretation Panels

We would wish to see more interpretation panels around the Victory Community including one at the beginning of the Railway Reserve similar to that in Stoke that gives both local people and visitors information about the history and environment of the area. The linkage between the central city and Stoke is important to many of walkway and cycleway users who use it for recreation and commuting each day.

4. Social Well-being Policy

We note that the Draft Plan indicates that the Council's social wellbeing policy is being updated in 2014/5 and an Action Plan is being developed (p.42). We wish to see a timetable being developed for this in line with Goal Nine of the 2060 Vision "to assist everyone in community to meet their essential needs." Such an Action Plan should have measurable goals, including those concerning adequate housing for all.

5. Housing issues

We welcome the Council's commitment to look further at community housing, and affordable housing together with other providers; and to improve the range and condition of much of Nelson's housing. In Victory we have a high proportion of rental housing, and community housing provided through the Nelson Marlborough DHB. We would welcome the opportunity to assist the Council in developing policy to meet the needs of people now in or requiring such housing. We note that there has been movements at a national level (Government Housing NZ, Warrant of Fitness scheme 24 Feb 2014) to assess the fitness of housing, and encourage the Council to be involved in such measures applied to its own housing, and interested other housing providers.

6. Alcohol Policy

We note that the Council is likely to finalise its Local Alcohol policy in 2014/5(p.42). We remain convinced that the provision of low cost alcohol premises in the Victory area are not in the communities best interest. We have submitted on a number of these applications recently, and are concerned at the impacts of the provision of low cost alcohol and extended opening hours on family and community well-being.

7. Sustainable Development Policy

We note that the Council has said on p8 of the draft Annual Plan that it has a fundamental role to play in sustainable development. We would welcome a renewed commitment to this policy which had widespread consultation and endorsement from throughout the Victory community during 2011/2. We wish to see that Council plans and policies are in line with its earlier commitment in the adopted 2060 Vision, and that the Council report regularly on progress towards these Goals.

8. Food Security

In line with a recent programme adopted by Victory Community Health Centre and the Nelson Environment Centre, and our continuing involvement with the KEGS (Kids Edible Gardens) programme, we wish to see a commitment by Council to developing a local Food Security policy. With the impacts of climate change and fossil fuel reductions upon food availability, we would want to see more emphasis placed on sourcing local produce and growing the local economy. (Goals Four and Seven of the 2060 Vision). The provision of more street fruit trees and development of community orchards would be a step in the right direction.

9. Safety in the Community

We welcome the Council's recent commitment to addressing safety issues within the Victory community. We are presently carrying out a 2 year Keep Victory Safe programme with the assistance of Council and the JR McKenzie Trust addressing the many causes of injury and violence within the community. We use a community development approach to improve overall community well-being through increasing opportunities for the community to enjoy shared activities by increasing participation and growing community networks. Many of the solutions to community ill-health, are developed through community understanding and through local action. We remain committed to this approach. Council can assist by developing and implementing infrastructure and programmes that complement this approach. The development of Victory Square as a valued community hub for youth and families is an example of community action and pride.

We wish to speak to our submission at the Annual Plan hearings.

Doug Craig, Board member

Jill Clendon, Chair of Board

Victory Community Health

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

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SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL'S 2014-15 ANNUAL PLAN

Name: Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust

Formation of the Trust

The Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust (NTCTT) was established in 2009.

The Trust's vision and mission statement is:

NTCTT's objective is to represent and develop cycling interests and opportunities in the Nelson region, to develop the area into New Zealand's leading cycle tourism and recreational cycling destination.

Its vision is to establish, extend and integrate cycle routes within the region to create a unique and sustainable world class destination for cycle tourists and local cyclists.

The Trust has specific responsibility for promoting and marketing Tasman's Great Taste Trail (TGTT) and the Dun Mountain Trail. It also has responsibilities for construction and maintenance of the TGTT.

The Importance of Cycling in Nelson

The Nelson Tasman region has national recognition for bike facilities and assets and community support for cycling is strong. The Bicycle Nelson Bays and the Nelson Tasman Cycle Forum are two cycling groups actively promoting the Nelson Tasman region a cycling "mecca."

Cycling is an important recreation and transport activity in Nelson:

Sport NZ's Active NZ survey shows that cycling is the nation's fifth most important form of active recreation with 23% of the population participating. It is popular with all age-groups, with 32% of 35-49 year-olds cycling, as well as 6% of those aged over 65.

The 2013 Census travel-choice data confirm that cycling is on the increase in the Nelson Tasman region. Cycle-ways are an important component in supporting people who cycle to work. In Nelson 1491 people said they cycled to work, up from 1179 in the 2006 Census; a 26% rise. Nelson outstripped the national average growth in cycling, which was 16%.

Regional Cycling Strategy

NTCTT has recently established a Regional Cycle Forum, which has representation from cycling and tourist activity groups and related organisations. The Forum is developing a cycling strategy for the region.

The vision behind this Strategy and its founding principles are:

Overall Vision – The Nelson Tasman Region is the Heart of Biking

Our region is an integrated cycle mecca well known for its people-friendly spaces, facilities and events supported by a local culture that truly embraces all forms of cycling.

Foundations of the Framework

This framework is founded on the proposition that aligned actions by responsible and committed agencies, organisations and individuals will lead to achieving our vision for the region. The framework is intended to work through a 'whole of community approach' and a 'whole of councils' approach.

The Nelson Tasman region has the potential to be a 'model' cycling community in New Zealand. It is already being promoted as the Heart of Biking as indicated on the Heart of Biking website.

Factors that contribute to this include:

- *Existing range of cycling infrastructure available;*
- *High (and increasing) numbers of cyclists;*
- *Favourable climate for cycling i.e. generally all year round, along with a diversity of landscapes;*
- *Wide range of cycling focused community organisations and businesses;*
- *Growing community and business support for cycling;*
- *Existing tourism infrastructure;*
- *Very supportive media;*
- *Support from both councils, with significant resources and commitments from Tasman District Council to tourism recreational cycling eg Tasman Great Taste Trail and from Nelson City Council to urban cycling networks and the Dun Mountain Trail.*

Tasman Great Taste Trail

The Tasman Great Taste Trail is a 175km loop track that starts in Nelson City at the i-site, then follows the St Vincent Street and Railway Reserve route to the Stoke Bypass track (with a link from the Airport joining it). It uses the Coastal route to Richmond where it then runs through the Tasman District.

The 2010 feasibility study (developed by the Trust, NCC and TDC) projected that by 2016 28,000 riders will visit the region annually to ride the TGTT. This will contribute \$20m annually to the local economy.

Data indicates that trail use is already approaching this number, with predominantly local riders, and without the Mapua-Kaiteriteri section completed. The existing status of the trail shows its value as a local community asset.

The TGTT is a significant regional tourism and recreation development. Its completion will provide a cycle trail at least matching the Otago Rail Trail. Completion will also strengthen the region's attraction as a tourism destination, and support the healthy lifestyle choices of the region's residents.

Reason for Submission

The Trust has received considerable support from the Nelson City Council for both the Dun Mountain Trail and TGTT. This includes funding to assist with the Trust's administration and marketing operations, and technical assistance to develop the route and signage.

The Trust wants to ensure that Council will continue to:

- Support cycle trails with further funding for operations and tourism marketing (through the continued funding of Nelson Tasman Tourism) as proposed on the Draft Plan.
- Develop safer cycle routes (on and off road) throughout the city.

Key Points (from Annual Plan Statements and Summary)

Statements

Council provides transport planning, infrastructure and services to ensure there is safe, convenient, efficient and affordable access and movement of goods for residents, visitors and businesses. Council does this work for a combination of reasons including meeting statutory requirements,

delivering on customer expectations and protecting the City's investment in its assets.

The transport activity of Council covers the provision, operation and maintenance of physical infrastructure and the environment. This includes road reserves for driving, cycling and walking as well as safety, parking control, traffic control and public transport services

<i>What Council Will Provide</i>	<i>Performance Measures</i>	<i>Year 1 Targets (2012/13)</i>	<i>Performance as at 30 June 2013</i>	<i>Year 2 Targets (2013/14)</i>	<i>Year 3 Targets (2014/15)</i>
<i>Walking and cycling are easy and attractive transport choices</i>	<i>Percentage of the community that travels to work by walking or cycling, based on Annual Survey of Residents and/or national census</i>	<i>17%</i>	<i>Achieved In the 2013 Residents' Survey, 9% travelled to work by walking and 9% by cycling</i>	<i>18% On track</i>	<i>20%</i>

The parks and active recreation activity of Council manages a range of parks and open spaces to help protect Nelson's biodiversity, heritage, rivers and coast. It provides active recreation opportunities through its provision of infrastructure such as walkways and cycle ways, expanding cycle trails, sports and recreation facilities, parks and open space, services and events.

The Trust fully supports the Council's endeavours to improve cycle safety and to make it more attractive to cycle for work and recreation. All funding put into projects should be retained in this year's budget.

Key Issues and New Projects

The Trust supports all the projects proposed in the 2014-15 programme and requests that they all stay in that programme to ensure Council is meeting its objectives for improved cycle safety and enhanced facilities and routes.

Projects for Year 3 (2014-15) - Proposed Changes to LTCCP

Transport

Rocks Road Walk/Cycle Project:

SUPPORT CONCEPT

CONCERN BY DELAY

Council is working with NZTA on this project to deliver a solution that will increase the number of pedestrians and cyclists using the waterfront, be safer than the current arrangement and improve the attractiveness of the area

The steering group guiding the project is considering these key principles as the options are developed:

- *Consider all potential users, such as pedestrians, recreation users (e.g. swimming and fishing), commuter cyclists, recreational cyclists and young or vulnerable cyclists.*

The Trust considers that this project needs to be completed as quickly as possible to improve the safety of cyclists along this key commuter and tourist route. The route is used by many groups and will become even more popular once enhanced. This will enable more people to cycle to work as an alternative to cars along a very attractive route. It will also, along with a Tahuna cycle route (below), provide a more cyclist friendly connection between Tasman's Great Taste Trail, Tahuna and Nelson City, maximising the potential economic benefit to Tahuna and Nelson from the trail.

Tahuna Back Beach (cycle route): SUPPORT

Whilst this project is being considered under the **Parks and Recreation** section of the Annual Plan, it should also be considered under the **Transport** section, as it is a critical part of the cycle (and pedestrian) route from the City (via Rocks road) to Tahuna and the airport beyond. In looking for a new cycle/footpath route through Tahuna as an ultimate part of the Great Taste Trail/scenic cycle route from the CBD to the Airport, the shoreline is a great opportunity to develop such a route.

Maitai River shared path:

SUPPORT

With the enhanced walkway from QE2 bridge to Trafalgar Street now being constructed and the widened path from the I-Site to Collingwood Street setting a high standard along this section, the narrowness of this next section is accentuated. This project needs to be retained in this year's budget.

Maitai walkway connection across Trafalgar Street: SUPPORT

The Trust is concerned about its safety as a heavily used crossing point along what is being developed as a main pedestrian and cycle route through the City along the river. It is a significant crossing at the real entry to the CBD, with the beginning of commercial activity at this point. It needs to be constructed in such a way that vehicles respect this as an entry point and crossing, and to improve the sight lines for pedestrians around the heavy bridge parapets. Again this needs to be retained in this year's budget.

In addition to this, at the roundabout of Trafalgar Street/SH6 intersection, a safe crossing should also be built to ensure a safe crossing of this very important cycle track/pedestrian route.

Brook Street cycling and walking improvements: SUPPORT

The work proposed to be done needs to be retained in this year's budget, especially after all the consultation with the community to develop it.

Economic

Nelson Tasman Tourism: SUPPORT

The Council is aware of Tasman District Council's proposal to cease funding tourism at the end of 2014/15. The Council remains committed to promoting Nelson as a tourism destination and will continue to fund Nelson Tasman Tourism in 2014/15 as agreed through the Long Term Plan 2012-2022

The Trust supports Council continuing to fund the Regional Tourism Organisation, particularly as it is designed to promote Nelson City and the region. Tourism is a very significant activity in this region and generates significant income and employment. Nelson Tasman Tourism plays an important role in destination marketing covering a whole range of activities and attractions.

Despite the decision made by TDC to reduce its funding this year and to withdraw completely next year, the Trust supports Council maintaining its present course.

Given that many of the natural attractions and tourist activities are within the Tasman district, TDC and Nelson City Council need to continue to work together to promote the region as a whole.

There is an argument that this role could be covered by the Economic Development Agency instead. However, if this is eventually considered to be the most appropriate model, there will still be the need to fund that "extra" work to be undertaken which will require additional staff in EDA to take over work that was undertaken by NTT staff

Gillian Wratt

Chairperson, Nelson Tasman Cycle Trails Trust

April 27 2014

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9th April 2014

The Co-ordinator,
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Dear Coordinator,

Submission on Nelson City Draft Annual Plan for 2014/15

Friends of Nelson Haven and Tasman Bay Incorporated are an incorporated society of concerned local citizens and scientists, who monitor and submit on issues concerning the marine coastal environment of the Top of the South Island. The Society was formed in 1973, incorporated in 1976, and is one of the oldest community organisations still active today and campaigning on coastal and marine matters locally and nationally. Our submission concerns the coastal marine area and adjacent foreshore of Nelson, and those Nelson regional catchments entering Tasman Bay within the Council's territorial boundary. It is grouped under the following headings.

1.0.General.

We commend the work being done by Council in improving the natural and physical environment of the Region, particularly since the flood events of December 2011 and April 2013. The river works have generally been carried out carefully with due regard for the biological life in the urban streams, and opportunities taken to enhance and improve bank structures. We still have some concerns about gravel removal as questions still exist as to how the gravel load contributes to the existing benthic environment of Tasman Bay. Further investigation about the amount to be removed annually in order to restore river functioning is recommended.

1.1 Nelson 2060 Framing Our Future. As one of the contributors and endorsers of this Sustainability Strategy for Nelson (p8) we are concerned that it has been relegated to a so-called integrated strategy for Council activities. We would like to see some integrated planning for the next Long Term Plan 2015-25, allocated resources to progressing the strategy in conjunction with community, education, iwi and business partners, and regular reporting on progress made on the Ten Goals.

2.0 Corporate p.57-8

Last year we inquired about the issue of strategic land purchases, and wished to have more details as to their general location. With the issue of climate change and projected sea level rise such public lands form opportunities for buffer zones and for managed retreat when needed. Also purchases adjacent to the coastal margin and alongside streams and rivers (riparian margins) can act as natural buffers to more intensive activity, and form opportunities for further recreational, public access and biodiversity enhancement purposes.

3.0 Wastewater issues p20:

We were pleased to be consulted on the upgrade of the Corder Park pump station, and to affirm our consent to the earthworks, and the reconstruction of the pump station subject to adequate conditions on water discharge and effects on nearby lagoon and stream. Subsequently we have also been consulted on replacement of the rising main at Atawhai. The replacement of failing infrastructure in a zone of coastal instability is very necessary to avoid breakage and subsequent discharge of untreated wastewater into the Haven. This has happened in the recent past and most would find it unacceptable. We look forward to further improvements in infrastructure to avoid these unfortunate instances. We welcome the good working relationships we now have with the NCC Wastewater engineering team

3.2 Regional Sewage Facility at Bells Island. We visited Bell's Island and the new re-vegetation project on the Spit and are impressed at its operation and the willingness of management to engage with biodiversity and iwi interests.

Last year we asked for the follow-up report on the operation of the replacement pipeline from Monaco, and the biodiversity enhancement work on Saxton Island and Waimea foreshore. We have not received this. We would still like to see more work done on the nutrient composition and volume discharged to the Waimea estuary on the outgoing tide, to more fully assess the effects on the biological demand, and ecosystems of Tasman Bay as part of the ongoing investigations on the health of Tasman Bay.

4.0 Stormwater and flood protection:pp24 & 28-30

With the recent extreme flood events of 2011 and 2013, the importance of adequate stormwater infrastructure is very relevant. Increased urbanisation of the Nelson foothills increases the runoff potential from hard surfaces and needs to be factored into planning for effective catchment management. Investigation is supported into means of increasing water soakage in vulnerable catchments (as proposed in the detention pond option of the Orphanage Stream upgrade (p29). However lasting improvement in stream water quality will not occur until the removal of toxic substances from roadways via filter mechanisms. We are perturbed that the planned work programme was not completed in Yr 2 and at the deferral of the Brook stream catchment strategy and the York stream Channel upgrade.

Continuation of the streamcare education programme and involvement of Council's partnership with iwi tangata, Waimaori, and community groups is supported.

5.0 Environment pp 33-35

We are encouraged that Council has proposed activities leading to an improvement in the water quality and biodiversity of the Maitai River and tributaries but are concerned that this will remain a one-off. We still support longer term planning for an effective Catchment Management Plan and biodiversity gain with the involvement of stakeholders and the local community.

Unfortunately while biodiversity research ,land use planning and information lapses, development pressures never do. The likelihood of further degradation and sedimentation from existing forestry and other activities and from new operations will continue in the absence of a positive framework for biodiversity gain.

6.0 Parks and Active Recreation pp46-49

6.1.Wakapuaka sandflats and wetlands (p48):

We remain hopeful that this project that has been in negotiation and planning for over 15 years, will suffer no further deferrals as proposed in last year's Plan and this year's draft Annual Plan. With the concurrent sewage pond de-sludging, and reports on the vegetation of the sandflats, an opportunity exists to further improve the environment of this corner of Nelson Haven and return it to a coastal wetland.

We remain convinced that conservation efforts need continued momentum if Nelson City expects the local community and conservation organisations to support its work. Continued deferral perpetuates the myth that such lands are waste lands, can be "let go" and are not important to the ecology of the coast.

6.2.Weed and pest control (as per last two year's submissions):

We did not receive a substantive reply to our concerns last year about pest and weed control work done in the coastal margin and foothills. Much of this work is done by concerned volunteers but we feel that the Council should share the responsibility. We would like to see a follow-up reporting and monitoring item on weed and pest control included in the City's environmental monitoring programme. The creeping invasion of old man's beard and now banana passionflower is beginning to overcome the natural regeneration of the coastal bush environment.

6.3.Nelson Biodiversity Forum:

We continue to support the co-operative partnerships fostered through the Biodiversity Forum , and in particular its ongoing work on the ecology and health of Tasman Bay. We are pleased that Nelson City Council is available to take a lead role in the planning for a comprehensive strategy for Tasman Bay. We support the work of the Forum through allocation of sufficient funding and staff resource time to the ongoing work of the Forum, and to forging closer links with Marlborough District Council and Tasman District Council and the committed restoration groups and community members of the Waimea Inlet Forum.

6.4. Methyl bromide phase-out at the Port:

We reiterate our concerns about the **continuing use**, and discharge of methyl bromide used in fumigation of logs **for export and imported goods within** containers at the port. Methyl bromide is a toxic colourless and odourless gas that is ozone depleting and that is heavier than air, that could be released to the atmosphere downwind of the Port. **We note that** there is now a recapture facility for log fumigation **within sheds**, under the control of the Port Authority (a Council-owned entity). However we are concerned about the ultimate disposal of the filters from the re-capture facility.

The effects, however, of the fumigant on the workers and the wider environment including the public are situated squarely under the Council's regional environmental and health and safety responsibilities. We would like to see further measures to phase out the use of methyl bromide at the Port, and an indicative timetable for its removal and replacement as provided for under the Montreal Protocol that the NZ government **signed** back in 1997. **We urge the Council to lobby the industry and the Government to find alternatives to the continuing use of methyl bromide and other toxic fumigants.**

We wish to speak to our submission.

Gwen Struick
Chair

Doug Craig
Planner

For Friends of Nelson Haven and Tasman Bay Inc

Natascha Van Dien

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Roger M Williams

Organisation represented (if applicable)

Your address

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Your phone number

5480170

Your email address

roger_williams@xtra.co.nz

Do you wish to speak at the hearing

No

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Your submission

1. You need to devote more resources to the better maintenance of the central city especially the Cathedral grounds, in terms of sweeping the steps more regularly (especially the steps from Nile St East up to the south of the Cathedral), and the stone walls (especially the one at the south of the Cathedral from which stones are always falling off onto the road).
2. There is a section of footpath from Nile St East by the Cathedral to the south which was dug up quite a while ago and replaced with a loose gravel which is most unsatisfactory to walk on. That section of footpath needs to be properly rebuilt and resurfaced NOW!.
3. What on earth is going on about the closure of the School of Music? To state "The planned transfer of the SoM land and buildings to Council has not occurred due to delays in the project" is simply unsatisfactory as an explanation for inaction. Why? When will there be action? Get on with it now!

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

65 and over

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

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Natascha Van Dien

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To: Council Enquiries (Enquiry)
Subject: Annual Plan Nelson 2014-15 Submission from NHAG

Hi

Please see attached the submission from the Nelson Heritage Advisory Group(NHAG) on the Annual Plan Nelson 2014/15. We do not wish to be heard,

Regards

Lynn Cadenhead



Nelson Heritage ADVISORY GROUP

Submission from the Nelson Heritage Advisory Group

Draft Annual Plan Nelson 2014/15

The Nelson Heritage Advisory Group thanks the Council for the opportunity to submit on the draft Nelson Annual Plan 2014/15. We do not wish to speak to our submission.

1. Background, Nelson Heritage Advisory Group

The Nelson Heritage Advisory Group is an umbrella organization for heritage organizations and individuals in the Nelson Region. The group was initiated by the Council just over 12 years ago to provide a forum for information sharing and discussion within the heritage sector and between the council and the heritage sector. The group became an incorporated society in 2005. It has a recognized advisory role due to its robust record of advice and submissions.

Active participants include the NZ Society of Genealogists, the Nelson Historical Society, the National Council of Women, City of Nelson Civic Trust, the Boathouse Community Trust, the Nelson Provincial Museum, the Nelson School of Music and the Queens Gardens Preservation Society as well as representatives from Melrose House, Broadgreen House, Isel House, Fairfield House, and Nelson Heritage Precincts such as Elliott and Alton Streets. The group holds public quarterly meetings as well as regular meetings of its management team.

We strongly value the partnership between NHAG and the Nelson City Council. As NHAG is an Incorporated Society and registered with the Charities Commission, we may be able to draw on resources which are not available to the Council to meet our mutual objectives.

2. General

Nelson is fortunate to have retained sufficient of its heritage for this to make a positive contribution to many sectors of Nelson City including business, the community, the local environment and tourism. To remain proud of our creative local culture and regional identity we must take steps to ensure we look after and celebrate our history.

Our city attracts visitors and residents because of its character. That character is inextricably linked to our surviving heritage. It is expressed in low rise city streetscapes which chart out history. Not every building is of high architectural or heritage value but together they provide a pleasing backdrop to our lives. Nelson also has many residential areas with high historic character and these areas command premium values. Over the years NCC has established a number of Heritage Precincts supported with excellent information panels.

Owners of commercial heritage property, both private and public, are facing hard decisions regarding earthquake strengthening. As a community we have to decide what we wish to protect and make sure that what is left and what replaces some of it fits into and contributes to Nelson's character. The Council has a strong role to play in this through Earthquake Strengthening Policy requirements and Resource Management plan development. There is a need to revive the city streetscape elevation work first started in 1995 as buildings are altered or lost.

3. Economic imperative

Our city's economic fortune is tied to the quality our urban landscape. This urban amenity includes buildings with heritage value as well as others that contribute to our rich city streetscape. New buildings can be tomorrow's heritage. Visitors and potential employees in high value industries and professions come to Nelson to a large degree because of the qualities of its cultural and natural landscape.

Mike Cullen of Urbacity in his recent presentation (November 2012) to the Nelson City Council said the following:

Every building should improve the amenity of the centre.

Buildings are the most important economic asset of the city and should be the priority for regulation.

Critical success factors include "culture heavy" (art, architecture, food and space).

Nelson's economic performance is under threat from earthquake risk management as you do not have the appropriate controls to ensure that the vast majority of buildings that will be demolished will be replaced with buildings of quality.

NHAG requests an economic impact assessment on the contribution that heritage makes to the financial wellbeing of the city similar to the impact assessments commissioned for events such as the Rugby World Cup is budgeted for in the next Long Term Plan.

The current Long Term Plan has explicit recognition of the contribution of leading edge lifestyle to the regional economy and tourism. The Rugby World Cup provided a much talked about opportunity to explore heritage tourism and the unique set of stories that belong to Nelson. Many businesses occupy heritage buildings in the hospitality and commercial sector. This is what sets Nelson apart from other places.

The financial contribution of heritage should be explicitly recognized in the next Long Term Plan and in the proposed Nelson Plan when considering service levels such as tourism and infrastructure for a sustainable local and regional economy.

4. Draft Annual Plan Nelson 2014/15

ENVIRONMENT

- **Resource management planning- Nelson Plan (page 33)**

We support the combining of the Regional Policy Statement and the Resource Management Plan as the Nelson Plan which is appropriate for a Unitary Council. We think that it is important that the work already done towards the Nelson Development Strategy is not lost and is included in the new plan. NHAG exists to provide helpful advice and as a stakeholder wishes to be consulted during the planning process.

We believe that heritage should be recognized in all policy development and the development of asset activity management plans. It is important to ensure that other priorities do not inadvertently lead to a loss of heritage resources or their contribution to the City.

We are concerned however that the combining of these plans will lead to further delays in the review of the Heritage Strategy and the further stalling of the Heritage Inventory Project. At least \$150,000 has been spent on the Heritage Inventory Project and without progress many of the buildings and sites identified may be lost. We note that "cost effectiveness is an important element of the new purpose of local government". In this case we believe the money is not being used effectively as there has been no outcome from this expenditure. We do not accept the advice that the process and investment made so far in the Inventory process is inherently flawed. The team of consultants that worked on the project is recognized throughout New Zealand. The list of items proposed for listing was peer reviewed and is not a statutory document so the process is therefore unlikely to be able to be judicially reviewed. The four problem listings could simply be removed from the list. Advice that suggests that the whole process was seriously flawed risks any further support for or investment into further policy development by community groups such as NHAG.

NHAG has consistently argued that it is crucial that policy development of the heritage provisions in the Resource Management Plan occurs simultaneously to avoid property owners of proposed listed heritage buildings being surprised by subsequent rule changes. NHAG has commented on development work through HSIG (Heritage Strategy Implementation Group) and hopes that it will have ongoing dialogue on this project.

It is a legal requirement under Part 6 of the current RMA for the "*(f) the protection of historic heritage from inappropriate subdivision, use, and development:*" This cannot be done unless Historic Heritage is identified and such protection is provided through the Council's District Plan.

We urgently request that money is explicitly set aside in the 2014/15 Annual Plan to complete the Heritage Inventory Project including the listing of recommended items.

- **Service Levels (Page 37)**

We support the review of the Earthquake Prone Buildings and Dangerous Buildings Policy and would like a date set for this review with some urgency. We would like to be assured that there is adequate resource and commitment given to this policy. We expect to be consulted through the development of this policy.

CORPORATE

- **Earthquake prone buildings(Page 57)**

We support this funding.

- **Hunter Furniture building roof replacement**

We support this funding.

- **Policy Work (Page 58)**

We agree with an urgent review of Nelson's Heritage priorities. The key point is that the proper consideration of heritage through policy and plans is now out of synch in the absence of an up-to-date strategy.

TRANSPORT

- **Rocks Road walk/cycle project (page 10)**

We agree that the heritage aspects of this project especially the retention of chain and stanchion fence and the sensitive treatment of the sea wall need to be considered as key principles in the Rocks Road walk/cycle project.

PROPOSED RESOURCE CONSENT FEES AND CHARGES (Pages 71/72)

We support the continuation of the No Charge policy for heritage works undertaken to maintain Heritage Buildings (Page 72).

SOCIAL INCLUDING ARTS AND HERITAGE (Page 41)

- **WW1 Centenary commemorations**

We support the funding to support the WW1 Centenary commemorations.

- **Nelson Provincial Museum**

We are pleased to note that the capital allowance for a redevelopment of the storage facility for the museum remains in place.

- **Nelson School of Music Page 8, 42 & 92**

We support the proposal for Council to substantially contribute to the refurbishment plan and earthquake strengthening works to protect the heritage values of the school and its continued use as a School of Music and performing arts venue, as well as being a home for many performing arts organisations. This is a key institution and venue that helps to maintain Nelson's reputation as a centre for the arts and heritage. It is also a place where over many decades many children and adults have received valuable music tuition. For this reason it is crucial that the institution continues to exist through provision of operational funding whilst it is closed for earthquake strengthening and other refurbishment.

Performance measures only refer to financial, earthquake strengthening and maintenance problems rather than the fact that this institution performs remarkably well within a very low budget in trust ownership. In terms of people attending concerts and tuition performance measures are high.

We note the following capital expenditure and commitment below from the Nelson LTP and wish to understand how this relates to the proposed expenditure in the Draft Annual plan 2014/15 on pages 8 and 42 of \$1 431 000 and the different amount proposed on page 92 of \$1 885 000. In particular, the amounts referred to need to be adequate to achieve the stated outcome as soon as possible.

Nelson Long Term Plan 2012-22 (page 145)

Capital Expenditure								
Project	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
<u>Nelson School of Music (NSOM)</u>								
Buildings – NSOM	1,521							
Earthquake Strengthening	20	603	1581					
Land – NSOM	885							
Rehearsal space refurbishment								4082
<u>Theatre Royal</u>								
Theatre Royal building	6,000							
Land	590							

MAKING NELSON A BETTER PLACE Nelson Long Term Plan | 2012-22

Page 133/134 from LTP

The Nelson School of Music has urgent earthquake strengthening needs, a backlog of maintenance issues deferred over many years due to budget constraints, and a need to redevelop its premises if it is to continue to function as a hub for musical education and performance in the region. Council has been in discussion with the Board of the Nelson School of Music about how to ensure the school’s sustainability into the future. The solution included in this LTP, and which has the full support of the Board, is for Council to take ownership of the land and building and be responsible for its upgrade and ongoing maintenance. This will allow the school to concentrate on its core business which is delivering an excellent musical performance and education service to the community. Council has allocated \$2.184m in years 2 and 3 of the LTP but Council will be looking to other partners including Central Government, the Nelson School of Music itself and the community to also provide funding. As part of this package a further \$4.082m has been planned in 2019/20 for redevelopment of rehearsal spaces in a separate building behind the Nelson School of Music. As well as the cost of bringing the building up to standard, taking ownership of the Nelson School of Music would require ongoing maintenance. Interest on funds borrowed to complete these works would also need to be recovered from rates.

- **Theatre Royal (Page 8 & 42)**

We support realistic operational funding for this key community asset so support the proposed increase in operational grant funding. Performance measures for the Theatre Royal must include audience numbers and community support.

- **Suter Art Gallery**

We note and commend the Council for the continuing and strong support for the Suter Art Gallery.

- **Heritage Strategy**

The 2006 Heritage Strategy is well overdue for review. We would like to see stronger direction from council on its current priorities for the actions coming out of this strategy and more resources put into implementing the strategy. There is a strong argument we believe to consider the development of a regional heritage strategy if only because of its value economically.

- **Arts & Heritage Advisor**

NHAG would like to see funding for a full time heritage position to reflect the importance of heritage to Nelson's identity and economic success budgeted for the next Long Term Plan. We would like to congratulate Debbie Daniel-Smith for a very successful 2014 Heritage week.

Thank you for receiving our submission.



Lynn Cadenhead

President, Nelson Heritage Advisory Group

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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

Submission on 2014/2015 Annual Plan

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Submission-on-2014-AP.docx - [Download File](#)

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

Submission on 2014/2015 Annual Plan S.E Cross

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to submit on the 2014/2015 Annual Plan.

My comments follow:-

- I congratulate the Mayor and the CEO for the restraint in this plan and the focus on priority items. It is refreshing to see that the indulgences we came to expect under the previous administration have not continued in this plan.
- I have previously submitted to the Governance Committee in respect to the Nelson Airport Ltd Statement of Intent. That submission should be considered as being part of my submission on the Annual Plan.
- I was shocked to learn that a number of Nelson industrial premises do not have backflow preventers installed. Council cannot possibly risk delaying action on this matter and I urge council to expedite this work.
- Plans to spend \$500,000 on potentially remediating the Modeler's Pond do represent an unaffordable indulgence. Council expenditure on this should be capped at the least cost option - that of filling the pond in. If the community feels strongly about this, then community fundraising should be required to meet any cost over and above the least cost option. That will soon test how valuable the community sees this "asset".
- Although Council has committed to supporting the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary fence, this will not be the only request for funding that council will receive in respect to this facility. As Albert Einstein said, "Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results". Every eco-sanctuary in the country has failed to realise its forecast revenue projections and has invariably required additional ratepayer funding. Council needs to resolve now that it will allow this venture to fail should it prove unsustainable, rather than continue throwing money at a white elephant. Unfortunately, the history of these facilities is that once built they hold ratepayers to ransom by demanding more money or the baby birds will all die. It is important that Council is clear now that it will not offer any additional funding support.
- Council should conduct analysis into how effective its spending on tourism promotion has been and whether or not it remains a function that council should engage in.

- I welcome the investment that is to be made in reviewing Council ownership of properties and hope that Council invests in getting good quality advice on the management of its other investments.
- I welcome the plan to develop an Events Strategy policy. There are many good, existing examples from other Councils which could easily be adapted for Nelson eg Wellington City Council. Hopefully a robust policy will prevent reoccurrence of the expensive and low cost:benefit events like the Cricket World cup which could never possibly be justified on any rational analysis.
- I would like to see Council budget for and embark on a program to replace its streetlights with LED lighting. Apart from the energy savings, LED lighting has substantial maintenance cost savings over conventional streetlighting. Many progressive Councils throughout the country are adopting LED technology and NZTA subsidies are available. Unlike many other "green" technologies (such as PV panels) which over promise and under deliver, LED lighting is a genuine technological advance which has good economics (see NZTA paper "Strategic Street Light Opportunities for NZ").

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Submissions close 4.30pm Monday 28 April 2014

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Nelson City Council
te kaunihera o whakatū

Name Ron Marris Organisation represented (if applicable) _____

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Phone 54 67 888 Email _____

Hearings will be held for those who wish to speak in support of their submission. Hearing dates are proposed to be 13, 14, 15, 16 May 2014.

Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*

Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No

Public Information

Submissions to Council consultations are public information. Your submission will be available to the media and public.

Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

Trafalgar Centre

Why didn't the Engineers look at the Plans & Specification of the Foundations of the Trafalgar Centre and check with the reports of the Building Inspector or the Clerk of Works to see the depths of the foundations before closing down this Building. This has cost Ratepayers and Business Owners 1000's of Dollars. It should be opened immediately.

Hunters Furniture roof replacement \$200,000

Is this building going to be pulled down within the next fifteen years for a carparking Building

Please attach additional sheets if needed.

Optional demographic information - your answers to the following questions would provide helpful information to Council. The questions are optional and your responses will be publicly distributed to those who review the draft Annual Plan submission forms.

Age:

- under 21
- 21 - 39
- 40 - 64
- 65 and over

Gender: Male / Female

Have you made a submission before? Yes / No

I would suggest just fixing the leaks

St Vincent St cycle lane? is dangerous for anyone

Every entrance from the Eastern side of St Vincent St should have a sign informing drivers of cars that cyclist: are coming down on your side of the road at 50 Kph

Ngawhatu Valley trunk main \$500,000

Shouldn't the subdividers pay for this. They are the ones making money from it.

NCC Pensioner Flats, Permanent Residents in Campin. Grounds and Campers should be made to pay their fare share instead of being subsidised by other Pensioners and Ratepayers

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Along the River Bank
Ideas and Imagination
In no particular order
Hopefully donated by organisations,
Businesses or Private individuals.

- 1 A Statue of Lord Rutherford either sitting or standing situated down by Rutherford Park with a large symbol of moving Atoms close by and electrified and lit up at night
- 2 A Pergola either round or Oval
- 3 A large seat that even an adults feet would be half a meter from the ground.
- 4 A Statue of a person fishing down by the sea

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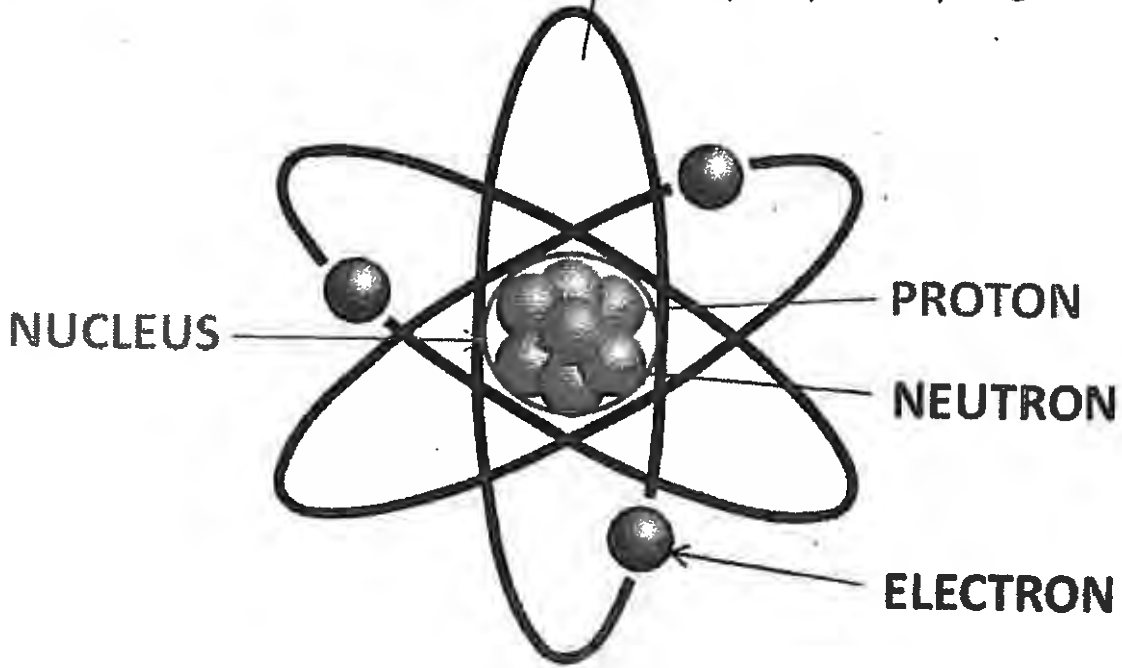
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To avoid confusion, please only send your feedback once, using your preferred method. You can mention more than one topic, and you don't need a separate form for each topic. We will promptly acknowledge it has been received.

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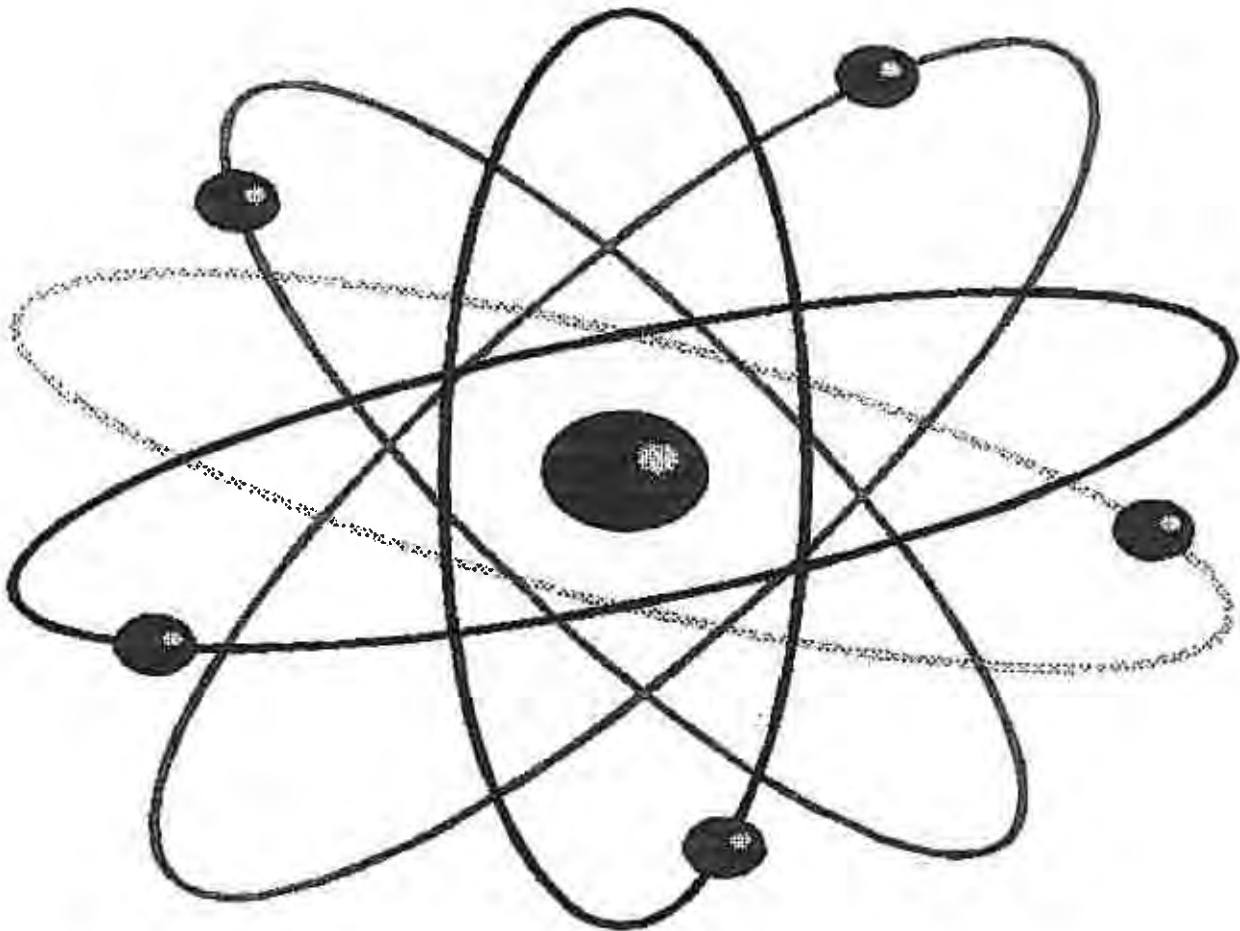
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Rutherford

Scientist Supreme

Nelson Public Library

John Campbell

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- 5 A sluicing nozzle that could be pumped by hand and aimed into the middle of the river flow so that it wouldn't cause any erosion
- 6 A statue of a person completely white taking a photo of the Tower clock situated down by the footbridge by Trafalgar park
- 7 Gas fired Bar-B-Cue and picnic area
- 8 A replica of a W. O W. winner.
A competition could be held by the General Public for the best winner over the last 25 years
- 9 A statue of Thomas Cawthron who donated a considerable amount to this City.



THOMAS CAWTHRON

Born 1833, Thomas Cawthron, arrived in Nelson with his family, aged 16. For three years he worked as a clerk in Wellington, then took off for the Ballarat goldfields. There he got early experience as a trader providing supplies for miners, and he also built a strong physique.

Back in Nelson in 1856, he won a contract to drive test shafts for the Dun Mountain copper mine. The story goes he needed a barrow at the site. He set off from Nelson trundling or carrying the heavy thing over Fringed Hill, and through rugged bush on Wooded Peak - about 10km in all - to reach Coppermine Saddle. Remember, this was before the Dun Mountain Line was formed.

These early contracts laid the foundation of Cawthron's considerable fortune.

In his early trading years in the 1860s Thomas Cawthron established his office and store in the hulk of the sailing ship "Albion" which had been beached at Port Nelson. Her bowsprit stuck across what is now Wakefield Quay where the Pier Hotel stood. Cawthron recalled how, at high tide with a good westerly blowing, the stern of the ship floated and caused "a good deal of motion". He obviously wasn't prone to sea-sickness.

Cawthron retained the site and built his storehouse on piles over the top of the Albion. When it was demolished in 1912 some of the planking of the old sailing ship was found still in good order after 50 years in the tide, and was sent to Cawthron, by then long-retired in Examiner St.

From the age of 30 till his mid 50s, Thomas Cawthron conducted a very profitable trading business as an import and export agent at Port Nelson.

He had a reputation for disposing of his goods quickly - groceries, preserved meats, fruit, farm produce, seeds, flax, lime, wool, beer, wines and spirits, tobacco, clothing, footwear, furniture, ironmongery, mining equipment, carts, buggies, timber and building materials, books, stationery and sometimes livestock.

Through the West Coast "golden age" of the 1860s and '70s he supplied regular shipments to the goldfields for good profits.

In 1884 he retired from his shipping and trading ventures to concentrate on investing in property, and shares.

Thomas Cawthron, a shy but wealthy bachelor, became a major benefactor to his adopted City of Nelson. Over 13 years he donated the substantial sum of £5000 towards the Nelson School of Music including £1800 for the pipe organ. He contributed to the re-building of the Nelson Institute Library burnt down in 1906.

In 1912 he funded the building of the Church Steps and paid for completion of the Wakefield Quay protective chains. A project started by a John Tinline bequest.

Cawthron's largest gift to the city must be the thousand hectares of Cawthron Park, in the head of the Brook Valley, now known as Waimarama or the Brook Reserve.

A major bequest established the Cawthron Institute, dedicated to scientific research for Nelson's benefit.

CAWTHRON STEPS

The handsome flights of granite steps on Church Hill are undoubtedly Nelson's focal point - the centre for virtually every significant outdoor function in the city - and they've been there more than 90 years.

There was a previous flight of tired old wooden steps which brought many complaints from citizens. By 1905 the Church Hill Beautifying Society had a plan to replace them, but not the funds.

Eventually city benefactor Thomas Cawthron offered to fund the whole project, nearly £2000, but demanded a high standard of Tonga granite and of workmanship.

The Cawthron Steps were presented to the City in 1913 and formally opened by the Governor General Lord Liverpool. They have certainly repaid Cawthron's strict requirements.

EMMS FAMILY

A young man born and bred in Golden Bay pioneered the road transport link over the Takaka Hill. Charlie Emms served at Gallipoli, and when he returned he began a trucking service, competing with sea freight.

He started in 1920 with two solid-tyred Dennis trucks, the first to cart stock and freight over that frightening hill. Much of it was a one-way gravel track. He had to stop to let other traffic through.

His road cartage cut out long sheep drives to Ewakohe and from Port Nelson to the Freezing works so the sheep arrived in better condition. Road transport was here to stay and gradually replaced the sea link.

On one trip Charlie went over the bank and was stopped by a tree. The burnt out wreck is still there somewhere in the scrub.



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UNIFORM ANNUAL GENERAL CHARGE (UAGC)

A uniform annual general charge (UAGC) is set under section 15 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 on each separately occupiable portion of a rating unit. It is levied:

- As a charge for services which have an equal element of benefit irrespective of property value
- To ensure a minimum charge on all properties
- To reduce the extremes of rates paid by the highest and lowest valued rating units
- In recognition that land valuation-based rating does not necessarily reflect a ratepayer's ability to pay.

Council proposes to collect 15% of rates, excluding water and trade waste charges, through the UAGC. The UAGC is proposed to be \$360.40 including GST per separately occupied portion of a property for the 2012/13 rating year. The 2012/13 charge would be \$19.60 higher than the charge of \$340.80 for 2011/12. Uniform general charges are required to be no more than 30% of total revenue from all rates, excluding water charges. The 2012/13 year's charges would be 15% of rates, which is well within the 30% limit.

Fixed Charges on the Rate demands should be General Rate, Seperate General Charge, Uniform Annual General Charge and Waste Water Charge as it is at the moment and a new charge called Community Facilities Charge, which would cover Parks, Transport, Culture Heritage and Arts, Recreation and Community facilities. This charge should help to bring up the UAGC up to 30% where it should be then everybody would be paying there fair share.

Nelson and Christchurch – a tale of two stadiums

Submissions
IAD
I have been waiting since mid-March for an article in the *Nelson Mail* putting the positive side of the Trafalgar Centre, following information that I sent regarding Cowles Stadium in Christchurch.

Of similar appearance to the Trafalgar Centre, this building is on very soft ground with shallow foundations, survived all the Christchurch earthquakes, has been repaired and improved for \$700,000, and is fully operating again.

The Trafalgar Centre isn't damaged and has deep perimeter piles, confirmed at the unnecessary cost of \$20,000 and by the previous photographic evidence from Kerry Neal (*Nelson Mail*, April 23). The council officers providing incorrect infor-

mation saying the piles are only three metres deep should be sacked.

To make matters worse, Kerry and I received a letter from Councillor Eric Davy, works and infrastructure chairman. It requested us to stop "adding another layer of complexity to this process, which your constant questions are creating".

What a contrast to the Christchurch City Council, which provided full seismic, remedial and structural reports in two days and access to speak with the engineer involved.

Why do we not have this facility open, while spending \$800,000 to enable Saxton Stadium to be used in the interim?

GAIRE THOMPSON
Wakapuaka, April 23.

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WAIMEA ROAD BUSINESS HUB

Below is a letter sent to Council Planning in relation to the Suburban Arterial Study and the Heart of Nelson Study documents.

Rutherford St and Waimea Road Businesses and Residents Society Inc.

We are very concerned about the poor content in the Suburban Centres Study in regard to our area. The area was titled Night Owl Centre – it should have been titled Waimea Road Business Hub. The area has a strong business and professional presence and is many times larger than the report suggests. The report is a basis for Council planning and information, and the allocation of resources. In our opinion it is misleading and incorrect and will lead to bad planning decisions. Subsequent challenges to Council decisions will inevitably occur.

Why has this area been treated differently to other smaller areas?

Below is a list of businesses operating in Waimea Road between Hampden Street and Girls College Playing fields.

Admirals Motor Inn
Project Managers
Quality Inn Hotel – International chain
Conference Venue
Flames on 40 Restaurant and bar
Chiropractor Practice (3)
Doctors Rooms (3 separate properties with multi doctors)
Physiotherapy rooms
Carmel Court Motel
Dentist
Mr Rentals
Employment Agency
Architect
Ray White Real Estate
Tower Insurance Office
NZ Outdoor Instructors Association
Rise Financial Advisers
Health Holistic Healing
Dental Laboratory
Midwife
Service Station
Orthodontist

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Grant Hunt Building Consultants
Doctors Surgery
Rising Sun Hotel
Gourdie Automotive
Bakers Inn and Elizabeth Catering
Night Owl Superette and Postal Centre

2 schools are also directly fronting the Waimea Road in this area.

On the western side of the road there are only 5 properties that are not currently used commercially.

These are significant businesses (SMEs) and together employ a large number of people. The area connects to the Rutherford Street commercial area and must be included in the heart of Nelson plan as well as the suburban centre study.

The potential threats to these businesses are directly related to the layout and traffic flows on Waimea Rd. All of the properties have significant numbers of onsite car parks. They rely heavily on the provision of on street parking and the ease of turning for vehicles into their properties from both directions. The retention of the flush median and adequate parking is seen as essential.

The width of the footpath on the western side allows the opportunity for beautification and enhancement of the areas amenity.

We expect these errors and omissions to be corrected included into the appropriate council documents.

We await your response.

Yours sincerely

Alisdair Daines
Chairman

Paul Anderson
Deputy Chairman

April 28, 2014

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As you can see from the information above, the commercial area in Waimea Road is virtually continuous on the west side of the road, from the city to the hospital with a smaller number on the eastern side. This area should have been included in the Heart of Nelson study and why it was not when other lesser areas further from the centre of the city were included, is puzzling.

If Nelson is to protect its existing growth areas of commercial activity, then Waimea Road must be included. 2.3 in the Suburban Centres Study says how important these areas are in commercial activity and employment. It also says it should not be ignored. Quote – “to ignore their wider potential in terms of employment capacity, pedestrian comfort, public transport role, in favour of private motor vehicle access is to reduce their economic capacity”.

In the Copeland Report in the Arterial Traffic Study gives even greater insight into the strength of commerce in the Waimea Road Hub.

If the Heart of Nelson study is a living document these changes need to occur now before more damage is done to this area.

Regards
Paul Anderson

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Submission to the Draft Annual Plan 2014/15

Introduction

The Brook Valley Community Group makes submissions under the following headings. Page numbers refer to the text of the draft Annual Plan. We shall wish to speak to these.

1. The Tasman Street upgrade, including stormwater [10,24]
2. The Brook area walking and cycling improvements [10,89]
3. Westbrook Terrace water supply upgrade
4. The Brook Stream catchment strategy [29]
5. The Brook/ Waimarama Sanctuary Trust Fence [47]
6. Resource Management Planning [33]
7. Representation Review [58]
8. Brook Valley Holiday Park [93]

1. Tasman Street upgrade, including stormwater [10,24]

We support the intention to carry out these upgrades in the 2014/15 year.

2. The Brook area walking and cycling improvements [10,89]

We accept that the process of community consultation has led to an improved plan, which should proceed in conjunction with the Tasman Street upgrade referred to above. However, we note that capital expenditure of \$465,000 has been allocated in the 2014/15 year [89], which seems excessive to the scaled-back plan.

3. Westbrook Terrace water supply upgrade

Because no amendment is called for, this project of the Long Term Plan is not included in this draft Annual Plan. We nevertheless wish to register our support for an essential project.

4. The Brook Stream catchment strategy [29]

We support the review of flood capacity and options for improving the Brook Stream channel in 2014/15 and desire to be a part of that process. Similarly, we would wish to assist in working with community stream care and a local monitoring group.

5. The Brook/ Waimarama Sanctuary Trust Fence [47]

Our residents are of course supportive of initiatives to

promote the biodiversity of our Valley. Concerns have nonetheless been expressed about this project. A critique is mounted on grounds including: (1) the cost-effectiveness of this predator control technique considered against others; (2) the sequestration of public land and an introduced charge for citizens to enter upon it; (3) stability issues in respect of the issuing of a resource consent, and (4) the negative financial indicators of recent date.

6. Resource Management Planning [33]

We call upon the Council energetically to inform itself of the possible consequences of Plan Change 17 and to review the process by which it has been permitted. The Nelson City Council should act to prevent, rather than to mitigate, predictable damage to our community and its environment.

7. Representation Review [58]

Our Community Group supports this review and wishes to be an active participant, signalling now our collective interest in the possible establishment of a Brook Valley Community Board.

8. Brook Valley Holiday Park [93]

The Brook Valley Community Group opposes the foreshadowed closing of this important amenity. We note that the sum of \$11,000 has been allocated to the Brook Camp (sic) and suggest that sufficient further sums be set aside as required to ensure its maintenance and upkeep. Possibly these moneys could be obtained by raiding the budget of the Brook Area Walking and Cycling Improvements project (\$465,000), as noted above in item 2.

We wish to be understood as being opposed to all alienation of the reserves and commons of the people of Nelson, which we take to be held in trust for future generations.

Natascha Van Dien

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To: Council Enquiries (Enquiry)
Subject: Draft Annual Plan 2014/15
Importance: High

Hi,

I have a number of comments on the draft plan:

Matai Catchment

I am very pleased that the Council is taking an evidenced based approach to the problems with the catchment.

It appears that silt is having a major negative impact via providing nutrients for cyanobacteria and that a major source is forestry activity. The effect can be minimised by ensuring that operations are carried out in a way that minimises silt entry to the rivers and brooks. This is the responsibility of the forest landowners and their contractors, though the Council can assist (Friends of the Maitai and members of the public can also help with monitoring incidents and impacts).

There is also a need to mitigate barriers to fish and invertebrate movement in the watercourses while not compromising flood control. A prominent barrier is the culverted stretch of The Brook along Westbrook Terrace/Brook Street which lacks shade and a suitable bed. There are a number of other barriers in the catchment that need to be addressed.

The Brook Motor Camp

I strongly oppose the closure of the camp. It appears the Council prejudged the issue, starting some years back with, in effect, kicking out the previous operators and, more recently, misleading the public as to costs. This apparently underhanded approach does not reflect well on the mayor, councillors and council officers.

The council should look at developing other revenue streams for the camp. Possibilities could be such as working with the Sanctuary to encourage residential teaching/training courses where attendees could stay at the camp and with MTB event organisers to again encourage those taking part to stay at the camp. These would also help increase the economic value of tourism where the Council is currently failing to meet it's targets (see p.54).

I also oppose the gondola proposal as it would have negative environmental and biodiversity impacts (the effective footprint would be much greater than just the area of the built structures).

Transport

The Council should put much more effort into encouraging less car use, rather than aiding it by providing more roads. I am strongly opposed to the proposal to cut through the Victory community to save commuters from elsewhere a few seconds on their journeys. This proposal

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would have a very adverse effect on a community that has done a lot to improve itself and should be supported by the Council rather than dismissed as less important than commuter convenience.

The Council's emphasis should be on facilitating alternatives to car use, making multiple car occupancy more attractive and a land use policy that lessens the need to travel.

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Nelson Sea Sports Alliance (N.S.S.A)

Nelson Sea Sport Alliance submission to Nelson City Council Draft Annual Plan 2014-2015

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Date: Wednesday 16th April 2014

Hearing: Nelson Sea Sports Alliance (N.S.S.A.) would like the opportunity to speak to council with regards to this submission.

Background Information

The Nelson Sea Sports Alliance (the Alliance) came into existence in the latter stages of 2013 after several months of discussions with water based (non-motorised) sports clubs regarding common concerns their clubs were facing in their day to day operations and how these issues could be addressed.. It was unanimously decided amongst the 12 groups which attended the initial meeting that a more co-ordinated approach needed to be adopted to better communicate to key stakeholders (including Nelson City Council) on the issues that concern them.

The Alliance is currently in the process of formally agreeing on its constitution and registering as an incorporated society. The total membership is in the region of 2,000 members totalling all the associated clubs in the region. At the inaugural alliance meeting on the 3rd December 2013 the following committee members were agreed upon:-

- Brian Nathan (President) with communications responsibility
- Kevin Strickland (Vice President) and leading on strategy
- Geoff Castle (Treasurer) with Finance portfolio
- Raphaella Carver (Secretary) and overseeing community development

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Firstly, the Alliance group members would like to thank Nelson City Council representatives, Councillor Pete Rainey and the Mayor Rachael Reece for listening to some





of the key issues affecting water sports clubs in the Nelson region particularly around the marina.

At the meeting in March 2014 it was discussed that a review had been undertaken by Sports Tasman, that has been presented to the Council which had made eight recommendations which are listed overleaf.

Report recommendations

From the key findings of current facility provision and trends, Sport Tasman advises the following recommendations be considered and acted upon to solve some of the issues that have been identified.

1. A feasibility study to be produced that would identify the best location, type and provision mix for water sports facility for Nelson. The study would review regional, national and international best practice in developing a community driven facility that was accessible and sustainable.
2. A collaborative **Ocean Water Sports Alliance** to be created to work with the Nelson City Council in dealing with short, mid and long term strategic solutions.
3. A water sports development officer role to be established. This role will focus on a co-ordinated approach in getting more people in the region accessing the water, safely and promoting the clubs to the public and visitors to the region.
4. A promotional campaign for marina users around safe boating usage in the harbour in line with Maritime New Zealand (*Maritime NZ*) statement of intent 2012-15.
5. More permanent longer term storage options to be identified with current water sport users and solutions found.
6. A controlled entry point at the marina boat ramp to be introduced. Income generated could support facility development and ongoing maintenance costs of capital asset.
7. A Nelson ocean water sports marketing and promotional plan to be produced which would raise the market profile of all user groups. Overtime, with the development of an ocean sports facility and identified staff members, opportunities would be increased to attract visitors (local, regional and international).
8. A feasibility study to be produced that would investigate a more permanent facility for Surf Life Saving at Tahuna Beach which is "fit for purpose" and future proofed.

∅ Note

You will recognise from point [2] that the alliance group collaboration has already been established.





Submission proposal

In reviewing the 2014 draft annual plan the alliance members would like to bring to the attention the information provided on page 50 [Park and Active Recreation]. The table presents “what the council will provide”. This is listed as

“Swimming pools that meet the needs of users and provide opportunity for aquatic based recreation activities and learn to swim programmes.”

The alliance members feel that these opportunities for aquatic based recreation activities are currently not being delivered to a satisfactory level, which has highlighted the following issues:-

- ∂ Safety issues for water sports users in and around the marina area.
- ∂ Poor levels of storage which has led to water sports club incurring vandalism and damage to equipment and deterioration of expensive club property due to being left outside in all weather conditions.
- ∂ Lack of services including changing and showers
- ∂ A current facility which is no longer “fit for purpose” and doesn’t meet the current and future needs of users.

In the mayors message in the draft annual plan it was stated that “We want to build a strong and resilient community while we continue to ensure Nelson is a great place to live”

Unfortunately, the alliance group and its members believe inadequate resources have been committed to developing and supporting their sports when compared to land based sports which is very surprising given Nelson’s history, its climate, links with the sea and early settlement.

Alliance proposal

The alliance group members want Nelson City Council to adopt the review report on Water Sports Users completed by Sport Tasman. In adopting the report the alliance group members want to work with council in finding short-term, mid-term and longer-term solutions to the issues that have been identified.

The alliance group has identified three key strategic areas that the report once adopted could be included in future council planning strategies:-





Environmental management

Council undertakes environmental management responsibilities to protect and enhance the quality of Nelson's natural and built environment, promote community wellbeing and to fulfil its statutory duties.

*Nelson Sea Sports Alliance wants to ensure that any impact the group and its members have on the environment is fully understood. Therefore, the alliance wants to work with council to ensure sustainable issues are at the forefront of how the coastal area is managed.

Social including arts and heritage

Investment in the heritage, arts and social activities of Nelson makes the city an attractive place to live as well as bringing economic benefits through tourism and a strong business community.

* The alliance members are more than aware of the history that especially the rowing clubs and yacht clubs being established in the 19th Century. These clubs are two of the earliest established clubs of their type in the country which needs to be recognised.

Therefore, with any development going forward there could be wider tourism and economic development opportunities in terms of water sports facility that the alliance would like to work in partnership with council.

Parks and Active Recreation

The parks and active recreation activity contributes to the health and wellbeing of Nelson's residents and communities by providing spaces for organised sport, informal recreation and areas for people to interact.

* It is great that the council actively wants to promote the health and well-being of Nelson's residents, but as the review report has identified some water sports clubs cannot attract new club members due to limiting facilities. Therefore, the alliance members fully understand that longer term solutions including a purposely built water sports centre may have to be included in the wider long-term planning strategy.

Conclusion

The Nelson Sea Sports Alliance views themselves as an organisation of "like minded" residents that want safe access to the sea and associated facilities which support a good experience. Unfortunately, for the majority this is not the case and will in all probability, only deteriorate if current facilities and arrangements don't change.

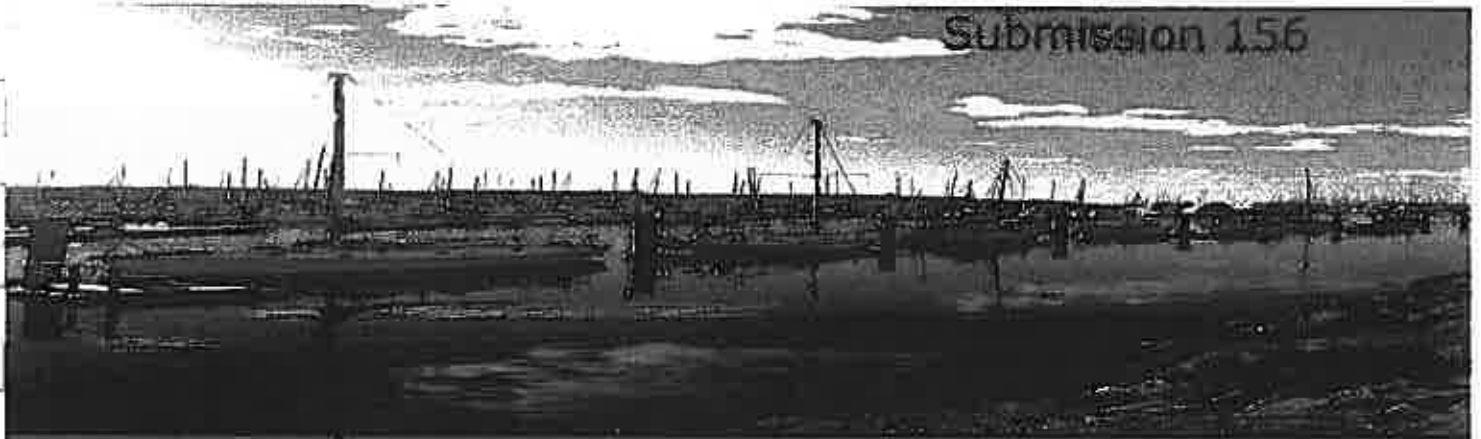




A very positive and enthusiastic collaboration of clubs totalling nearly 2,000 members want to remain involved with water sports now and in the future, but the ability to participate and grow is being limited by the lack of facilities.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to submit our proposal and we wish the adoption of the water sports review and its recommendations every success.





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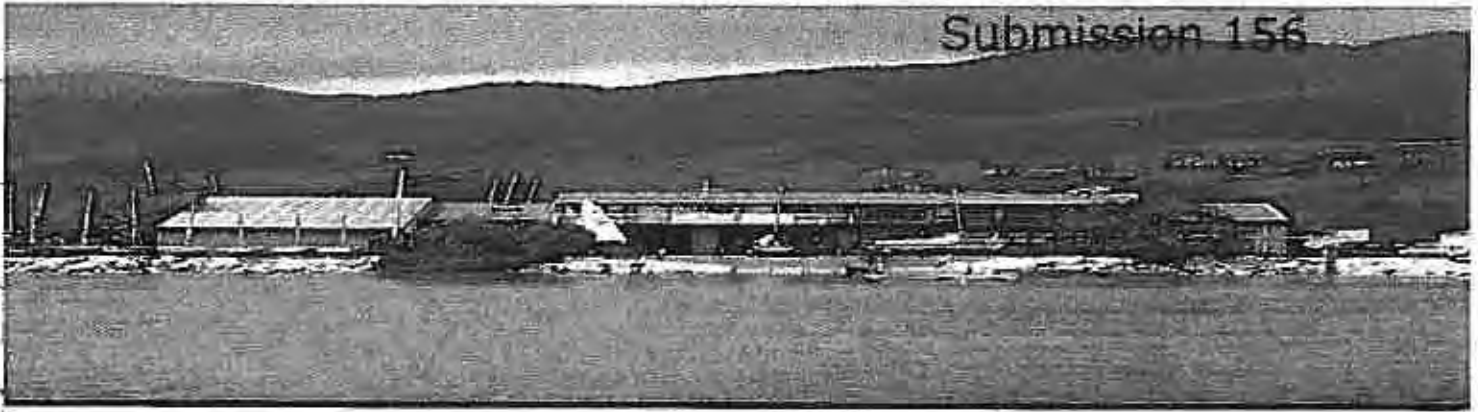
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Executive Summary

This report has been produced on behalf of Nelson City Council (NCC) with support from Sport New Zealand (Sport NZ). Its purpose is to assess the current needs of water sports participants in and around Port Nelson with a particular focus in the marina area. This review identifies the levels of facility provision and associated services, then analyses whether they meet the current and possible future levels of demand.

In assessing the state of water sports clubs and their associated facilities, the following objectives were considered as an integral part of this work:-

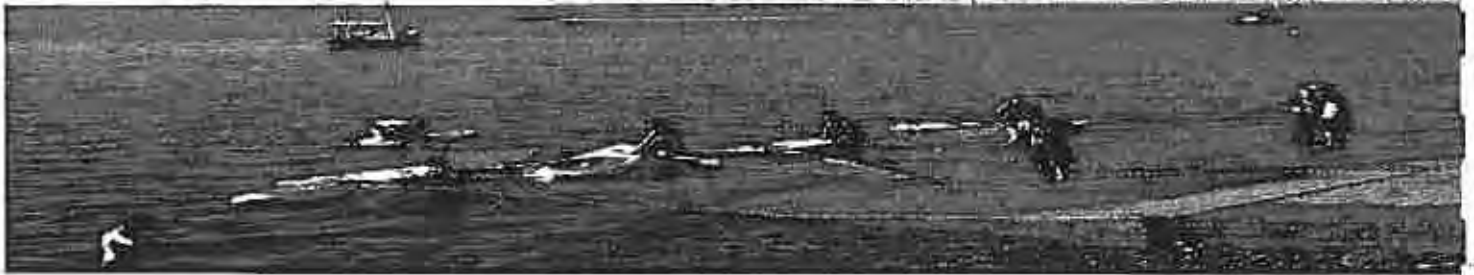
- ◆ Reviewing the existing level of facility provision
- ◆ Determining what the current and future needs are for water sports participants.
- ◆ Identifying any gaps in current facility provision.
- ◆ Make recommendations on our findings.

From our analysis the following key findings have been identified.

Key Findings

Current facility provision

- ◆ 75% of the water sports clubs consulted highlighted a particular lack of storage space for water sports equipment in a secure environment.
- ◆ Coastguard Nelson and Nelson Surf Life Saving Club (NSLC) currently share a facility which over time may become unsustainable.
- ◆ There has been a 80% growth in clubs from 1960's, 60% of this growth has been in the last 20 years.
- ◆ Poor storage options for one club recently led to recent costs of \$1000 to replace broken equipment.
- ◆ Research has identified that the gel coat of waka is being degraded by sun damage, which increases maintenance costs during its lifespan.
- ◆ The average lifespan expectancy of a waka is 13 years in non-open environment. Last waka purchased in Nelson cost \$35,000.
- ◆ 85% of the water sports clubs consulted feel the current level of facility provision is lacking.
- ◆ Water sports facility provision hasn't developed over time, as club numbers have increased.
- ◆ All clubs who currently use the water sports facility, identified that it doesn't have the capacity to meet the needs of water sports in the future.
- ◆ The current water sport facility mix of services doesn't meet the needs of water sport users particularly lacking, storage, training and changing facilities.
- ◆ There is a general feeling that water sports clubs feel they are the "poor cousin" to land based sports.
- ◆ Four clubs specifically, feel that a lack of premises limits opportunity to grow their clubs.



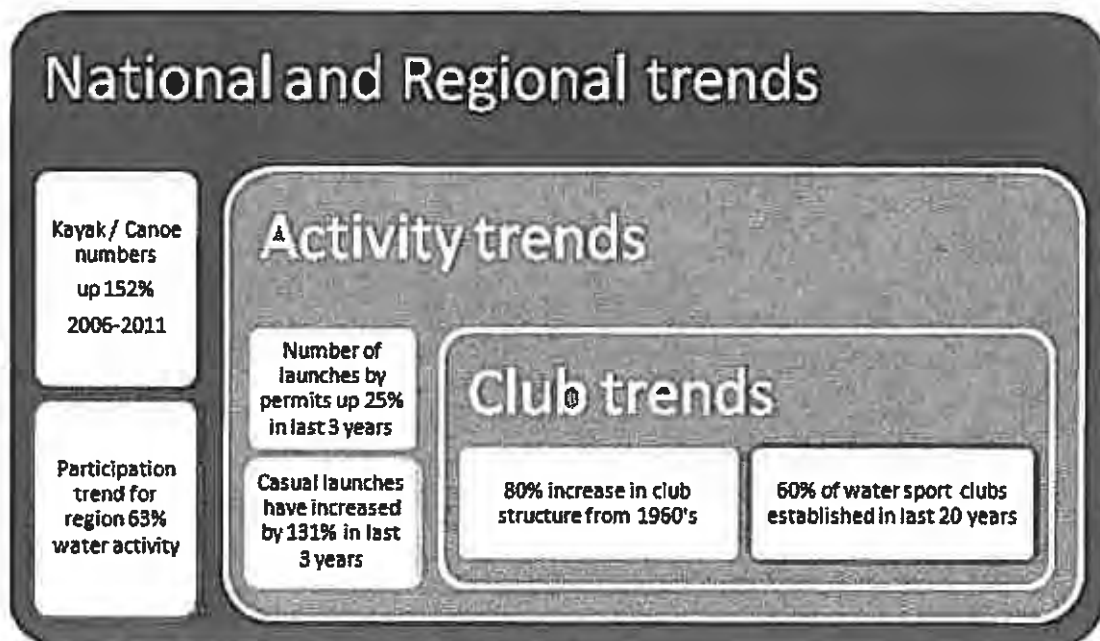
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Trends in clubs

- ◆ There has been a growth of five additional water sports clubs over the last 10 years.
- ◆ 65% of water sports clubs identified that since there has been an increase of moorings in the marina. This has created issues especially at peak times and raised safety concerns.
- ◆ The membership base of the stakeholders that have been consulted is 1,550, approximately.
- ◆ There are a further 350 volunteers involved in supporting water sports club activities.
- ◆ 100% of the water sports clubs consulted are committed to working with other groups to find solutions to any issues identified.
- ◆ A safe all tides, launching area was highlighted as very important especially for junior members.
- ◆ There is conflict with other users of the boat ramp especially on busy summer mornings and evenings.
- ◆ Difficult for clubs with no facility to "nurture" club feeling, which limits social opportunities.
- ◆ Clubs want adequate access to the water for multiple user groups at any one time.
- ◆ 95% clubs consulted are keen to develop well designed facilities that meet their needs in the future.
- ◆ Whakatū Waka Ama are just one of the number of clubs having to store equipment off site, which lowers the sporting experience and increases damage opportunities to waka and equipment.
- ◆ Growth of the berths at the marina has been highlighted by all clubs interviewed, with increased boat traffic and lack of consideration for other users raising concerns over personal safety.

Key Facts





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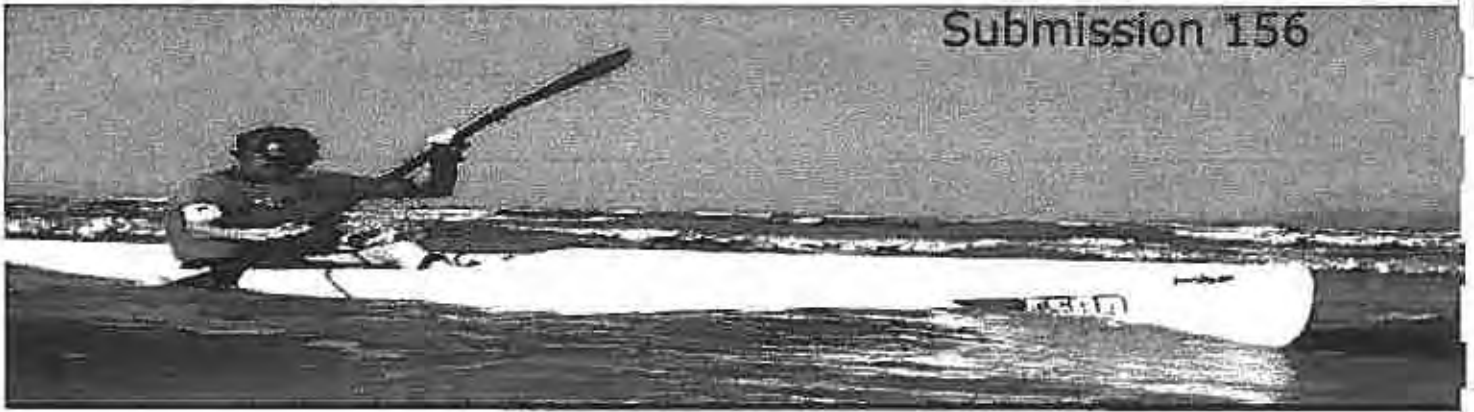
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Conclusion

The current situation with respect to the level of facilities for water sports users particularly in the marina area is far from ideal. To give the current user groups credit, they have continued to develop and encourage more people in the community to become involved in water sports despite some of the challenges. This growth in participation has led to the establishment of five new clubs in the last 10 years with 60% of the total water sports clubs coming into existence in the last 20 years. This has been in parallel with the expansion for berths in the marina area due to demand, which has recently been met with additional pontoons being built. This development has indirectly increased tension levels, which again has been heightened further for water sport users by the steady growth in recreational and commercial boat activity. At the Akersten Street boat ramp for example the last three years have witnessed a 25% in the number of boats with permits and 131% increase of casual launches. This level of increase coupled with other factors including club growth and



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participation trends for the region being 63% for water based activities, clearly is one that is unsustainable with the current facilities available.

Therefore, given the facts and information presented it is our conclusion that there are currently needs that are not being met for the water sport users in Nelson. There are gaps in the level of facility provision which doesn't adequately provide sufficient storage of equipment, low level of training venue for clubs to promote activities with better provision of changing and toilet facilities.

Moving forward Sport Tasman recommends that Nelson City Council adopts this report and then works collaboratively with Sport Tasman and other key stakeholders identified across the water sport club network. Due to 65% of the clubs consulted having "safety concerns" some of the recommendations given in this report will need to be acted upon and given priority. What also needs to be considered is the level of resources that will be required especially if a new water sports facility is to be progressed

Nelson is a region which has a long maritime history, and offers wonderful coastal waters to its local community and visitors. For the water sport club members and other users of the marina and port area. work is needed to ensure all these varying needs and levels of growth can be catered for now and in the future.

A community driven water sports facility would go a considerable way in meeting many of the current needs, the potential for this was discussed at the initial water sports group meeting which identified seven sites. Agreeing that the current water sport facility site needs further consideration Sport Tasman recommends that two additional sites be taken into account when a feasibility study is requested. One at the most northern end of the marina and the other on Vickerman Street near Sealord's (ref:map4 pg 31).

In conclusion any water sports club facility needs to ensure it is of the right mix and type so that it is financially sustainable now and in the future. More so, the facility has to consider changing trends and patterns to meet the water sports club users and community needs in years to come.



1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the review

The purpose of this report is to carry out a needs assessment for the water sport users and members currently accessing the Port Nelson area with emphasis in and around the marina. The extent of the report will identify current and future needs for the water sport club members and participants around the port area with particular focus on the marina.

1.2 Review Scope

The range of water sports included in this work is listed below. However, during this review other groups consulted included :- Coastguard Nelson, Port Nelson, Water Safety New Zealand (*WSNZ*), Sport New Zealand (*Sport NZ*), Rowing New Zealand (*Rowing NZ*) Maritime New Zealand (*Maritime NZ*), Outdoors New Zealand (*Outdoors NZ*) and Waka Ama New Zealand (*Waka Ama NZ*) and Canoe Racing New Zealand (*CRNZ*).

Clubs included in review process

- ◆ Nelson Canoe Club
- ◆ Tasman Bay Kayak Racing Club
- ◆ Maitahi Outrigger Canoe Club
- ◆ Nelson Surf Life Saving Club
- ◆ Nelson Bays Teams Racing Association
- ◆ Whakatu Marae Waka Ama
- ◆ Nelson Triathlon and Multisport Club
- ◆ Iron Duke Sea Scouts
- ◆ Nelson Rowing Club
- ◆ TS Talisman Sea Cadets
- ◆ Nelson Watersports
- ◆ Kite Surf Nelson
- ◆ Nelson Underwater Club
- ◆ Nelson Bays Dive Club
- ◆ Nelson Yacht Club

Consideration was also given to any issues or concerns that the groups had identified which would support the overall findings of the report.





1.3 Review Objectives

For the water sports review to achieve its purpose a set of review objectives were established and agreed upon with key stakeholders.

Key objectives that this project needs to address are:-

1. **The project aims to provide a picture of the current and future needs and priorities with respect to water sports clubs and user groups.**
2. The project will look at the challenges and potential solutions of providing space and time for both competitive sports use and leisure use. It will endeavour to understand the future needs of both the sporting codes and the wider community users.
3. **This work also will highlight the current state of facility assets in the port area accessed by user groups and make potential future investment requirements.**
4. The report will highlight priority areas for future water sport space which takes into account, demographic changes and sport participation level trends.
5. **Identify current "gaps in provision" which could include access or storage and possible future needs of water sports, which may be sport or club specific.**
6. Consideration that water sport provision be inclusive and must be accessible to all.

In meeting these objectives there has been particular focus in ensuring that we fully understand what are the needs today for the clubs and what will be their needs in the future. This report has also considered any changes in demographics locally, trends in membership, participation and the provision gaps that need to be filled to ensure a very positive future for water sports.

Although, the report has a particular sway towards the groups that have been identified this report also takes into account leisure use and the other recreational users in the marina and port area. The report has also taken into consideration the commercial fishing and shipping operators in the port area and fully understands the economic benefit they bring to the region.





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2. Methodology

2.1 Research approach towards project

The process adopted for this research work was carried out in 3 phases listed below:-

1. Scope
2. Research
3. Strategy

From the chart below (1) it can be identified that phase one includes confirming the scope of the project. This involved completing a briefing document that was confirmed with Nelson City Council (NCC). Included within this brief is the scope of the project and the key objectives. This first phase also included clearly identifying the "best tools" to use in order to gather the necessary information which would add value to the overall review.

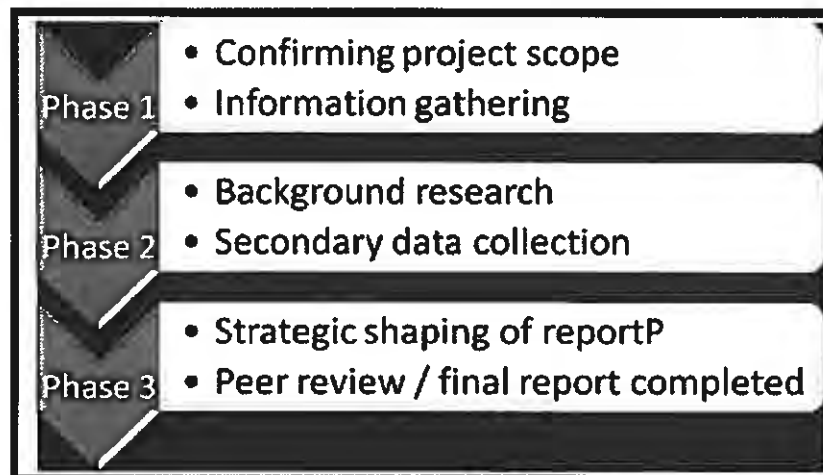
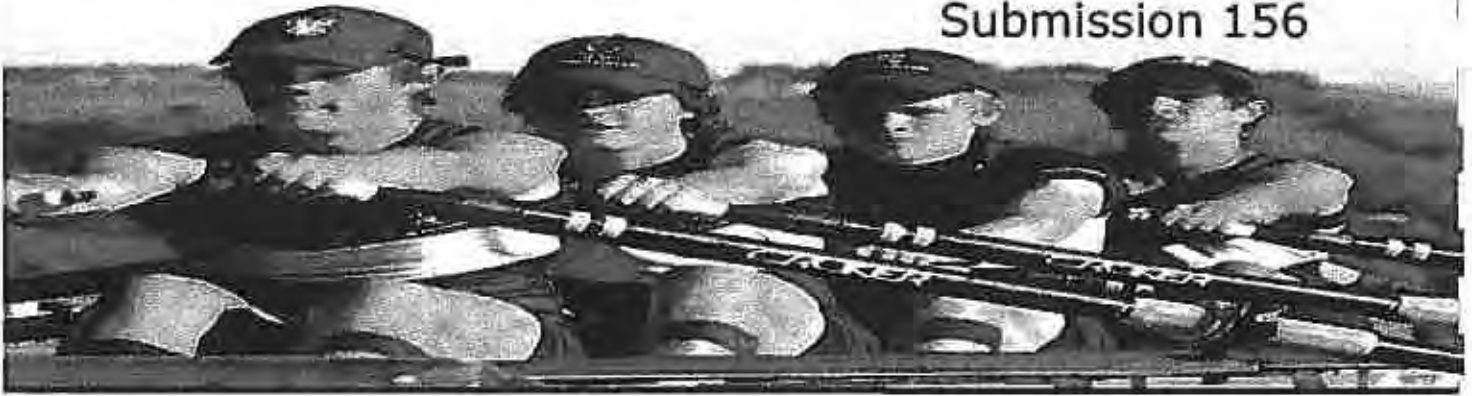


Chart 1 Methodology Process adopted for project

This information gathering phase, included establishing a consultation process which included club and stakeholder questionnaires being circulated (*appendix B*). This work was carried out largely between April-June 2013, which was followed up by one to one interviews throughout July and August 2013 if deemed necessary.

Phase two focused largely on gathering existing information to support current position analysis which included minutes from previous meetings for example. Several meetings also took place



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with key stakeholders to confirm information that had been gathered. Further to this to attain a wider perspective on the project consultation also included:-

- ◆ Water Safety New Zealand (WSNZ)
- ◆ Maritime New Zealand (Maritime NZ)
- ◆ New Zealand Recreation Association (NZRA)
- ◆ Outdoors New Zealand (Outdoors NZ)
- ◆ Canoe Racing New Zealand (CRNZ)

The overall consultation process proved quite challenging initially due to the volunteer nature of the majority of club committee members but was invaluable in terms of the feedback received.

The final part of the methodology was to gather, interpret and report our findings in this report. This included interpreting the questionnaires and one-to-one interviews coupled with the background information that had been gathered.

The strategic direction of the report had to ultimately focus on delivering the objectives that have been identified (section 1.3 page 7). By referring to these key objectives throughout the work it would ensure that the work remained within a guiding framework.

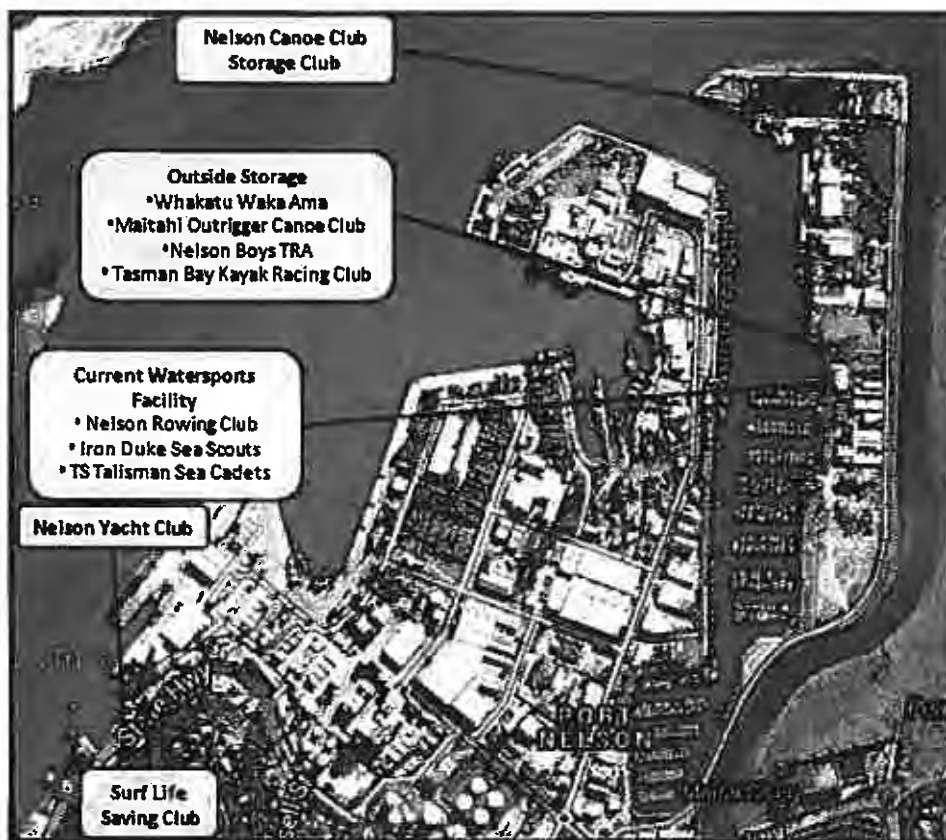


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3. Current Position

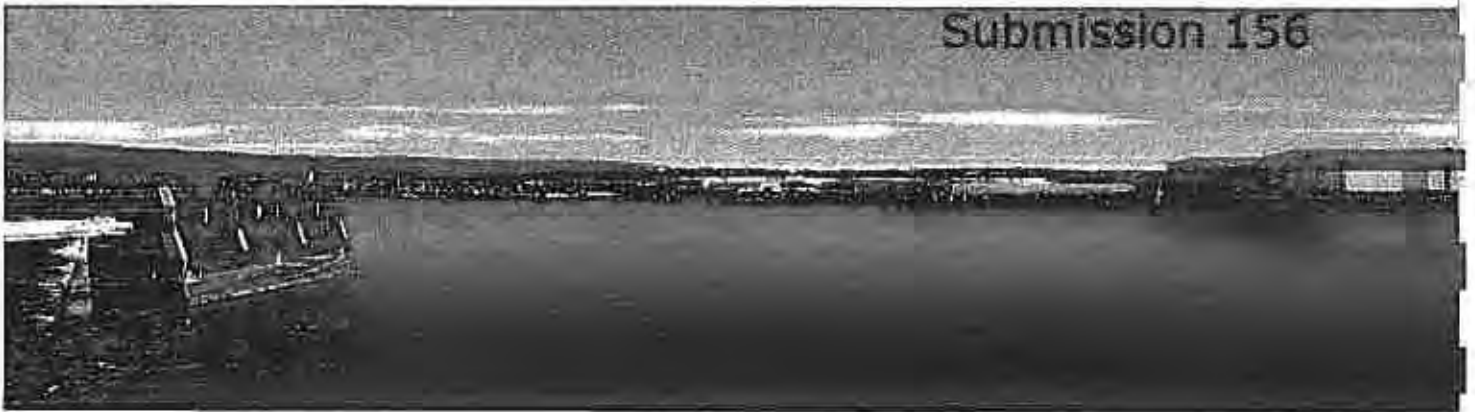
3.1 Current Facility Provision

The location map below (1) identifies the geographical location of clubs in and around the Port Nelson area. Some facilities identified are buildings (e.g. current water sport facility, Nelson yacht club and Sealord marine rescue centre), and some temporary arrangements, including storage sheds and containers. The level of facility provision can be directly linked to when clubs were established whereby the longer existing clubs have more permanent structures, especially purpose built buildings.



Map 1 Location of water sport clubs permanent and temporary facilities

In recent years particularly around the marina area, there is a general shortage of secure storage provision and clubs have tried to either negotiate alternative arrangements. This has resulted in a mix of small sheds being utilised as in the case of Maitahi Outrigger Canoe Club (*image 3 pg 11*) to larger container units as is the case for Nelson Canoe Club (*image 4 pg11*).



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3.2 Facility provision in and around marina

The current water sports facility (1) is located in the marina area along Cross Quay. This facility is currently co-located by three clubs which are Nelson Rowing Club, Iron Duke Sea Scouts and TS Talisman Sea Cadets. The building was opened in October 1988 and is positioned with a shared forecourt, boat ramp and moorings. The images below (1,2) are taken from the forecourt and boat ramp.



Image 1



Image 2

The three images below (3,4,5) are pictures which highlight some of the current storage issues. These include temporary storage options for Maitahi Outrigger Canoe Club (3) and Nelson Canoe Club (4). Even clubs that have their own share of the current facility (Nelson Rowing Club pictured 5) identifies clearly that clubs have outgrown current facilities over time.



Image 4



Image 5



Image 3



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Image 6

The three images below (6,7,8) are taken inside the current water sports facility. They identify the areas which contain some of the rowing clubs facilities. It can be viewed from the images that the building is now showing its 25 years of operation since opening in 1988.

It is clear that fitness equipment is now a regular part of the rowers training programme which might not have been considered justifiable for space allocation in the initial facility design. Obviously, for future facility proposals or developments additional areas and spaces need to be considered .



Image 7

Overtime, with more equipment being purchased and the clubs understandably wanting to carry out their own repairs space is of a premium. These pictures clearly highlight that in the initial facility design poor consideration was given to training spaces and repair and servicing workshop. Currently, these are spaces that working spaces rather than purposely built practical rooms which are "fit for purpose".



Image 8



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3.3 Identified issues



Image 11

Unfortunately, some sport club members have had to resort to storing equipment at their own premises. There is a lot of goodwill being demonstrated as the water sport enthusiasts struggle to secure good affordable storage options.

There is only one example given here but there is a very regular occurrence of equipment being stored at home premises and transported on a regular basis. This practice adds potential wear and tear on equipment plus additional burden on the water sport user or club volunteers.



Image 12

Some clubs over time have managed to work with Nelson City Council to secure storage units in the marina area. This is a very enviable position especially to new user groups. This arrangement could be considered in the short-term to help support the growth of water sport clubs.



Image 13



Image 14



3.4 Clubs summary position

Throughout the information gathering process it is very clear that the water sport clubs are proud of their achievements to date. Nelson Rowing Club which was established in 1876 can boast to be one of the oldest clubs in the country. Sharing its current water sport facility with two of the other oldest water sport clubs Iron Duke Sea Scouts and TS Talisman which were established in 1921 and 1961 respectively.

The current building that is in operation is leased to the groups on a "peppercorn" rental arrangement with the groups lease agreements currently needing updating. This contractual arrangement post lease expiry has been acknowledged by all parties and currently doesn't affect occupation. Due to the dis-establishment of the Nelson Harbour Board in October 1989 the lesser is now Nelson City Council.

Of the water sports clubs consulted the following key findings have been identified:-

- ◆ Clubs who currently use the water sports facility feel that it no longer meets their needs.
- ◆ The current facility is lacking changing and training facilities.
- ◆ It doesn't have space desired for growth in terms of storage of additional equipment.
- ◆ The facility is struggling with the new demands placed upon it due to changes in training especially storage of fitness and associated equipment.
- ◆ Development of new berths in the marina have increased tension and anxiety, as water space and access becomes competitive, especially in the summer months.
- ◆ Clubs that have had to store boats and equipment outside the main water sports facility surrounding area have a feeling of frustration. This is largely due to "lack of club environment" and "damage and vandalism to storage shed and equipment".
- ◆ Some clubs feel their membership is now at a plateau due to lack of space.
- ◆ One club in particular highlighted "we need dedicated classroom areas and a meeting hall in inclement weather".

Overall, the current water sport facility which opened in 1988 is heading towards its 26th year of operation. During this time all of the innuagral three clubs have grown in membership, alongside which the development of new clubs, especially in the last 10 years with 5 new clubs being established.

As identified in the research findings by Sport NZ (gamba regional insights 2012) water based sports account for 63% of sports participation in the Tasman region. With this high level of participation and the rapid growth of clubs in the last 10 years then the trend is one which will put further pressure on the existing facilities.

This summary position is one which in taking into account all the factors in one which isn't sustainable and could possibly lead to poor recreational experiences being standard rather than isolated.



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3.5 Water sports facility potential locations

Six water sports clubs in recent months have begun to start looking at possible solutions in terms of reviewing the current facility provision. At a meeting held in November 2012 the following points were discussed as possible ways forward. These included the group discussing the following points:-

1. Redesign of the present club rooms
2. Or to find a new site for the clubs to base themselves.

Overall, the consensus was to focus on the location of a new facility because some of the groups involved had no facilities at present and a shared facility would be the way forward. There were 7 potential sites identified which are shown on the map below.



Map 2 Overview of the marina and the 7 potential water sport facility site locations identified



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3.6 Water sports facility identified locations (advantages and disadvantages)

The water sports groups gathered late in 2012 and identified 7 potential sites for a facility which have been identified on the location map (page 31). Further to identifying these sites the advantages and disadvantages of these sites are covered in the following table.

Advantages	Disadvantages
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Location 1 Maitai Club site

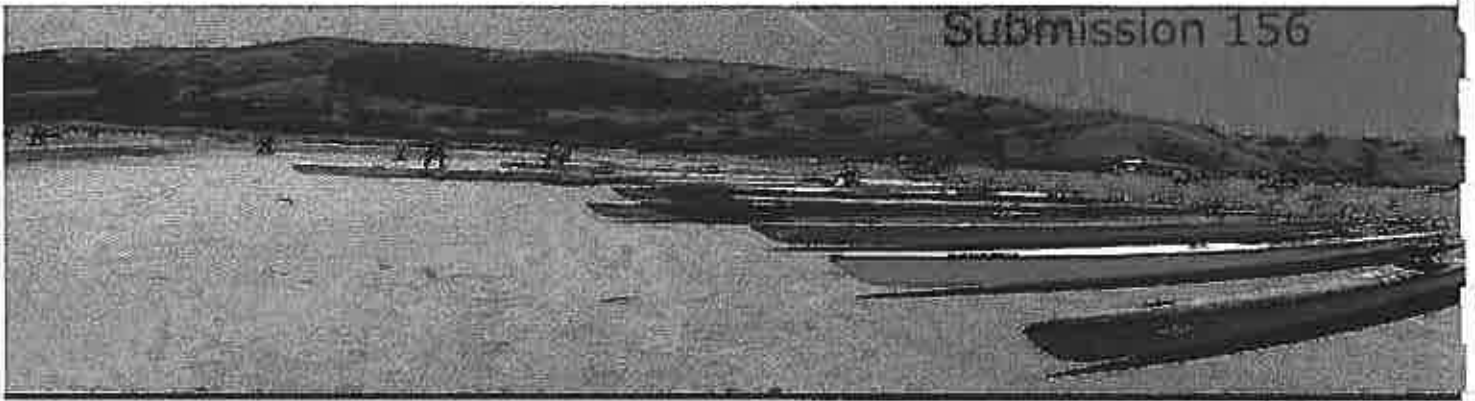
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Existing facilities with Lounge, Bar area, Gym, Car Parking, Lawn area Ideal. ◆ Safe Area for launching could be created, use of the Matai river easy at High tide. Plenty of space to add extra buildings for housing boats. Easy walking distance to town. Can be used as part of Beautifying the Inner City area, add weir to keep water level up in lower Matai river up to Trafalgar Street bridge for 24hr 7 day a week use. NCC own the building and the land. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ No current access at low tide. ◆ Cost of dredging to create water channel. ◆ Increased parking and access issues to site. |
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Location 2 – The Motueka Nets site

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Plenty of space, Deep water access, some buildings already there that could be used. •NCC own the land. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Water access will be tight with existing Talley's private Pier and last new Berthing Pontoon. |
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Location 3 – The Point Opposite Sealord's

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Deep water access, plenty of room. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A long walk from town, a breakwater would need to be built for safe water access. 2. Build from scratch any facility 3. Privately owned and Food And Crop are starting to establish themselves there. |
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Advantages	Disadvantages
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Location 4 – The current rowing, sea cadet, sea scouts site

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Existing building could be modified , space to expand on grass area to the North of Site. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Water safety hazard high with existing Public Boat ramp |
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Location 5 - The grass area at the southern end of the car park along Akersten St.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Deep water access available, Away from Public Launch area. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Full boating Channel would have to be negotiated to reach the Harbour 2. Facilities would be tight for all groups given the amount of space available. |
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Location 6-The former Sanford site in the main harbour

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Access to deep water in main harbour ◆ Large building | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Launching into main wharf area, large ships docking. 2. Lack of Car Parks at times. |
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Location 7-Former ship building yard in the yacht basin

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Existing empty building ◆ Access ramp close by | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Space will be tight / car parking limited. 2. Full channel to be negotiated to reach Harbour. |
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4.0 Research findings

4.1 Club overview

From the chart below (2) the current profile of members is 68% are adults and 32% are juniors (16 years or younger). Obviously, some clubs have a higher percentage of these groups but the figures given represent all clubs that have been consulted.



Chart 2 Membership profile of water sports clubs



Chart 3 Current facility options available

From the above chart (3) it can be identified that 30% of the current water sport users have access to a facility. This is a purpose built facility which was designed to meet the needs of the users. However, it has to be recognised that 70% of the current users have no permanent facility available to them (chart 3). Although, initially temporary arrangements were made these have now been in place several years.

4.2 Participation trends

Research indicates further that the combined Nelson-Marlborough Region is the 2nd biggest recreational boating area in New Zealand (Nelson / Tasman Settlement Support 2013). Sport New Zealand's (Chart 4) below shows how fishing, swimming and Canoeing / Kayaking are in the top 5 of participation sports in the Tasman region. This equates to 63% of sports participation across the region being aquatic focused.

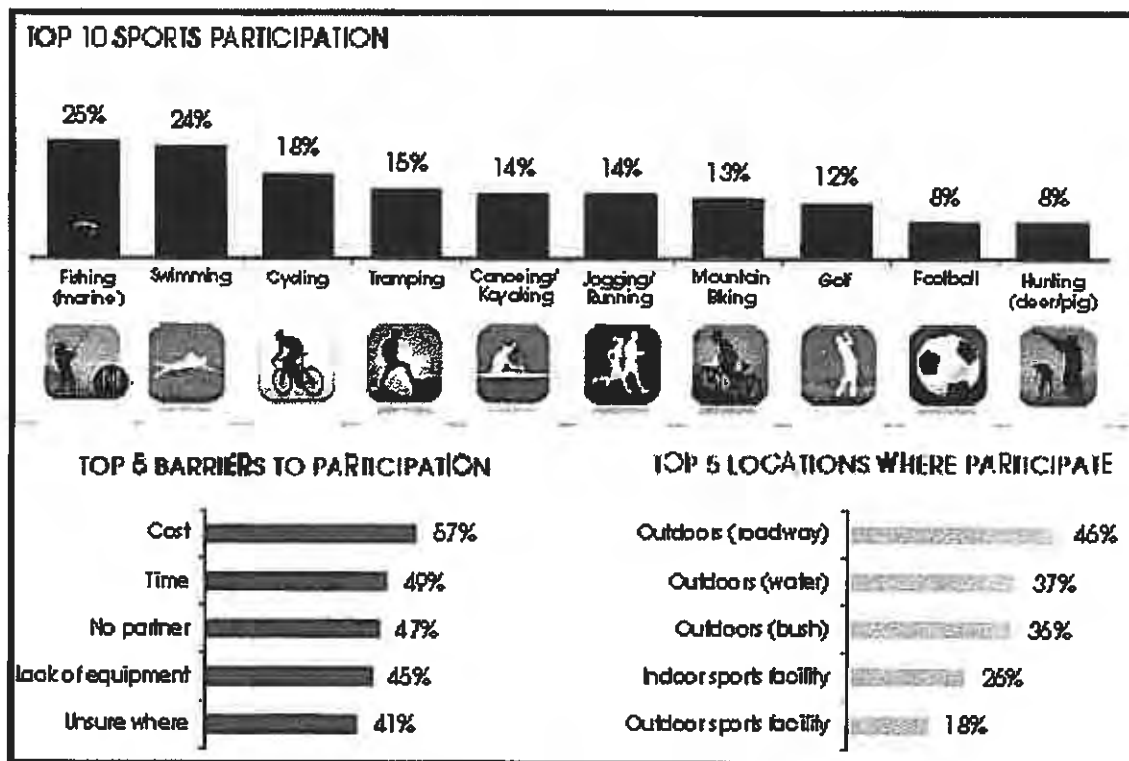


Chart 4 gamba Regional Insights Report April 2011-March 2012

In summary we have growing usage in the club base and an increase of boating activity in the marina due to more berths being available than ever before. This has intensified activity in a congested space which has also led to further concerns over safety especially in the summer months. The Nelson region, has historically a large interest in recreational boating with marine fishing being identified as the number one sports participation activities in the Tasman region. This report also highlights some recommendations and thoughts for consideration in addressing some of the key points identified as concerns which potentially reduce the water sports users experience.



From the chart below (4) it can be viewed that the early established clubs (rowing and yacht) have been included in the earliest timeline (1940-1959) although it is fully appreciated their establishment was prior these dates. The chart clearly identifies the growth in clubs overtime with particular growth post 1999. As new sports have been introduced and subsequently clubs established this has been the case in the Port Nelson region.

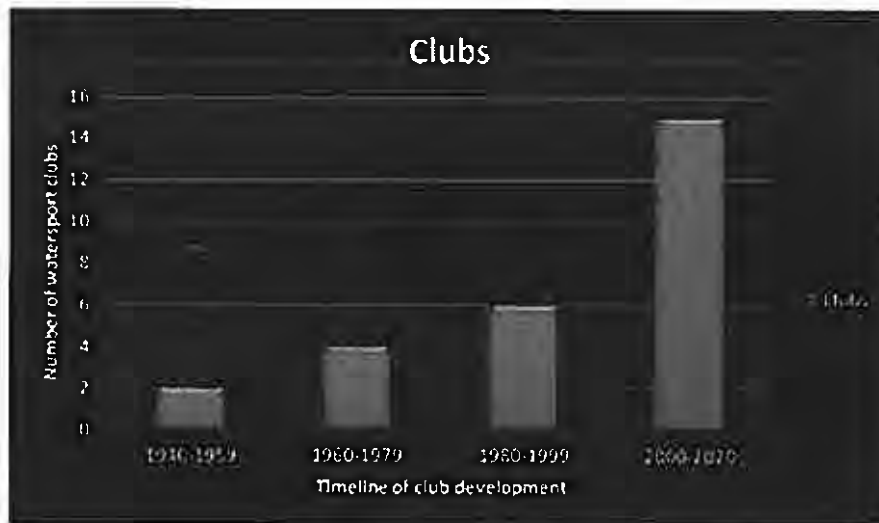


Chart 5 Water sport clubs growth in the Nelson region 1940-2013)



Image 15 Paddle boarding growth

Recent reports from the USA (source Boston Globe 2013) gives further evidence that there will continue to be further growth in water sports. Some sports simply by their nature and equipment needs may put lower levels of pressure on facilities.

However, it again highlights that future considerations facing facility operations that need to be considered. This can be in the form of expanding the current footprint of the facility or adding a second storey, whichever might be the more cost effective decision.

Therefore, trends in water sports also have to fully appreciated especially in terms of storage, toileting and possibly parking plus other considerations.



4.3 Regional participation trends

The chart below (6) identifies that three out of the five top participation sports in the region are water based, this trend in the level of participations accounts for 63% of activity.



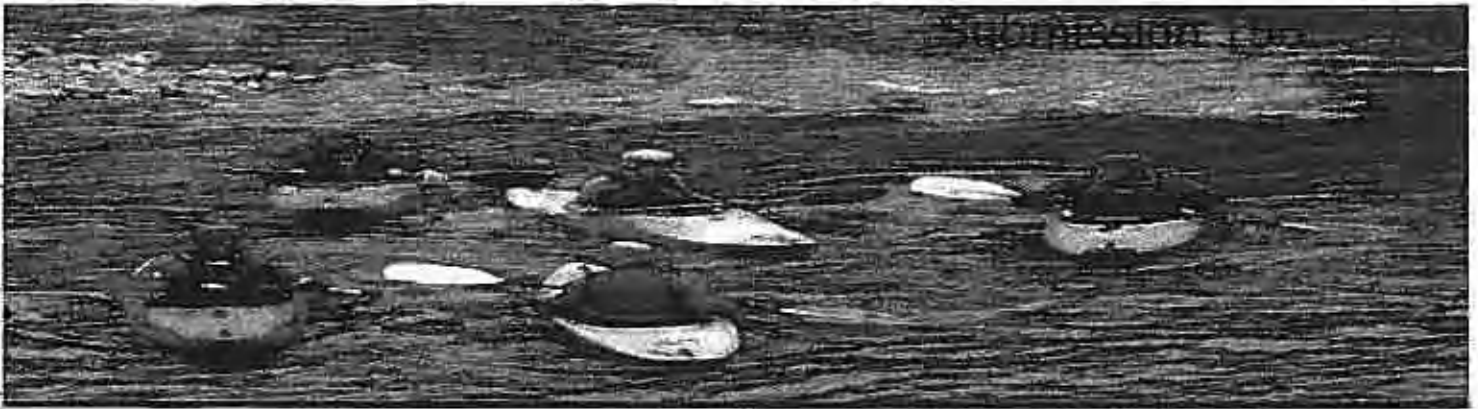
Chart 6 Top 5 participation sports in the region.

Chart (7) adds further evidence to the level of participants wanting to access the outdoor water spaces having



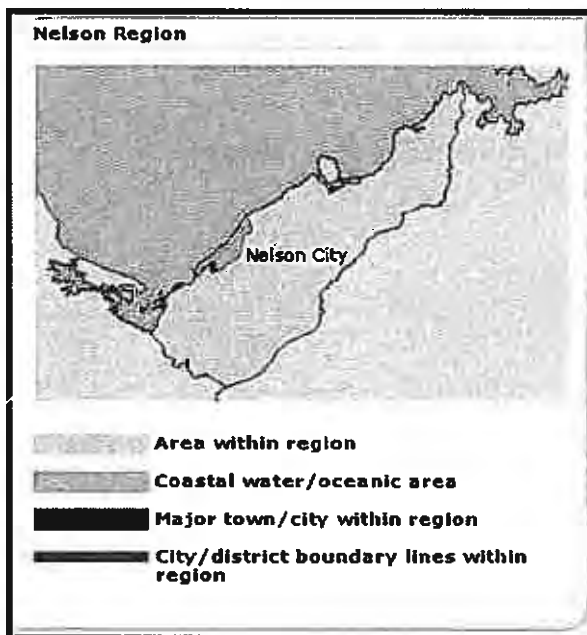
Chart 7 Top 5 Locations where people participate in the region

the second highest levels in the region with 23%. These two charts identify the high levels for not only water based sports but people's requirement that they are in the outdoor environment.



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4.4 Demographic trends.



Map 3 Boundary of Nelson region for census purposes

Projected population figures 2006-2031

The purpose of highlighting the population figures for the next 20 years (chart 7) is to bring to the attention the low level of growth in Nelson / Tasman. Therefore, in going forward any future facility development needs to factor in some growth. But not at the level expected in other areas of the country especially Auckland and Canterbury. With the current water sports facility opening in 1988, with little or no opportunity to expand from its current site.

Future community needs especially trends in club growth and population statistics have to be given more consideration to "future proof" any new facility development.

Demographic Facts

- ◆ **Regional Council area:** Nelson was the second fastest growing region in the country from the last census.
- ◆ The population rose by 8.3% to 46,437.
- ◆ The median age for the Nelson region is 41.7 which is slightly higher than the national average of 37.1.
- ◆ The 65+ age group in Nelson is also higher the national average at 16.9%. Nationally the average is 14.2%.
- ◆ The number of 0-14 yrs in Nelson accounts for 18.4% which is slightly lower than the national average of 19.9%.

*The census information provided is from Statistics NZ usually resident population counts 2013.

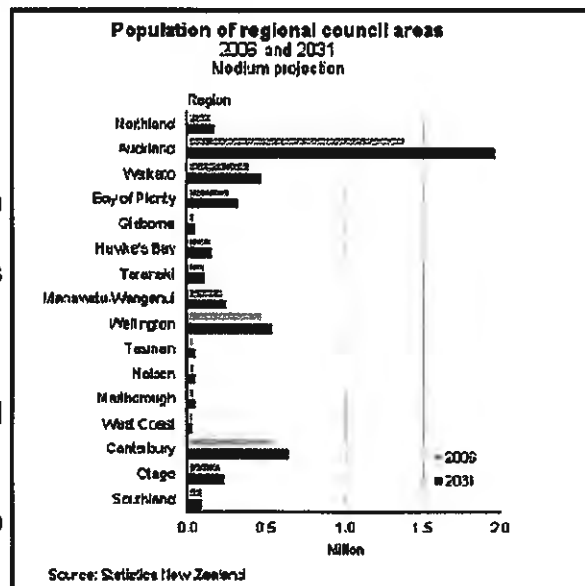


Chart 6 Population projection



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From the chart below (8) it can be recognised in the Nelson / Marlborough region that the population trend particularly in the 50+ band is significantly higher than the national average. What this represents in terms

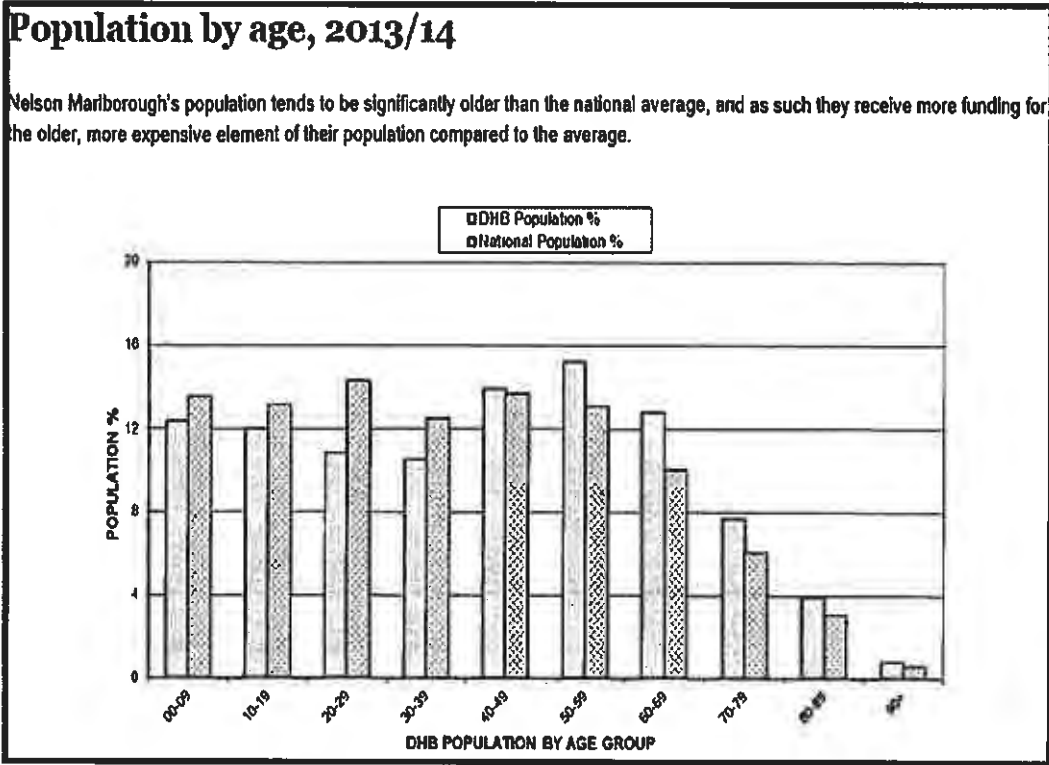
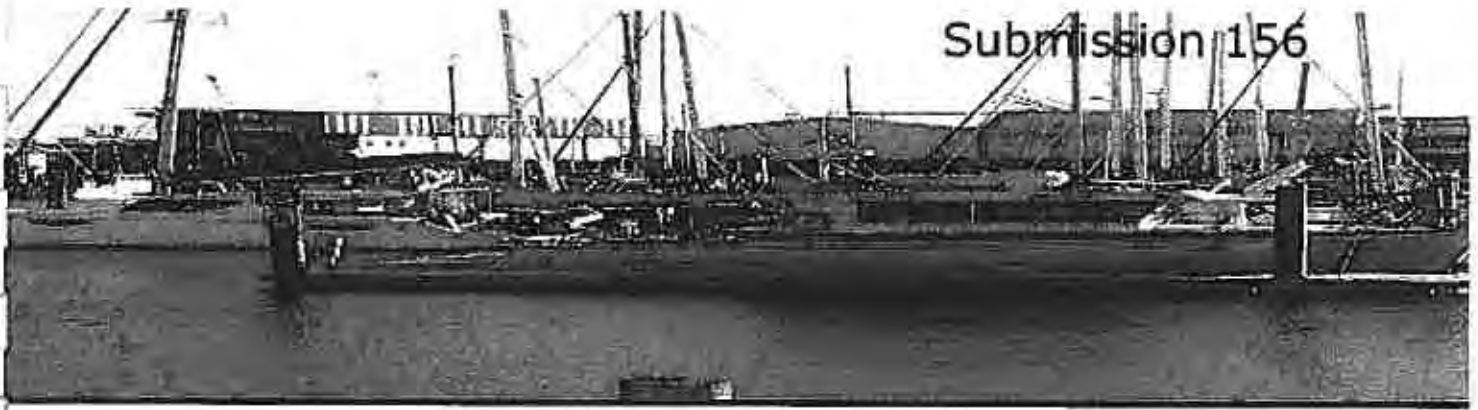


Chart 7 Nelson / Marlborough population by age group

of future facility planning is awareness of this growth market and meeting their specific needs. This may involve wider consultation with older users to ensure that any improvements / developments include their input. For example, as mobility becomes a greater concern, access to facilities for less able individuals may need to be considered which should be fed into the "future proofing" of the facility.

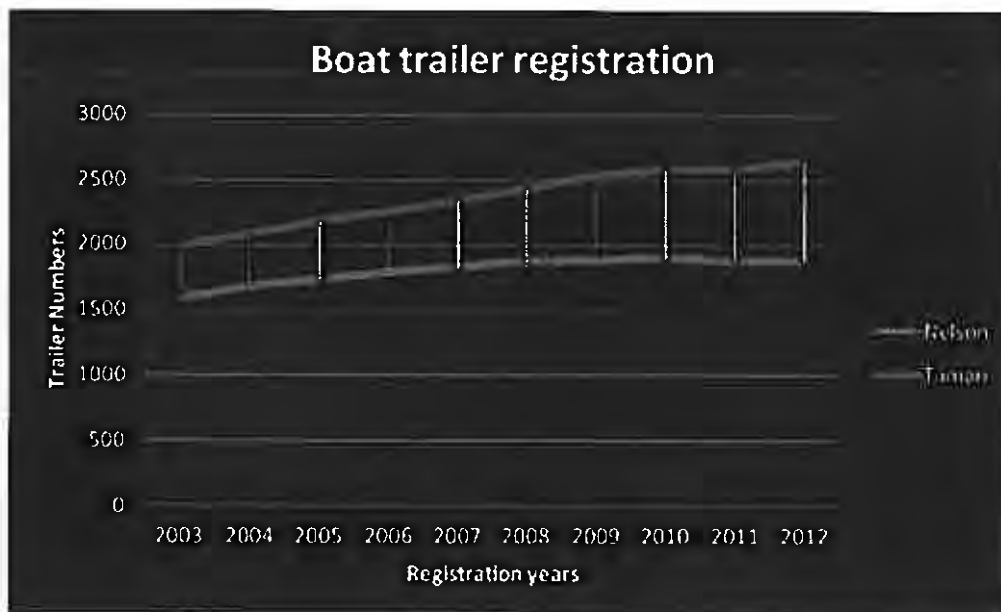
This could be expanded to including disabled parking and drop off points being located near the main entrance. The water sport clubs also need to take this trend on board as their participants may need easier access in order to continue in their activity in their chosen sport.



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4.5 Nelson and Tasman boating trends

Through the consultation process and gathering the secondary data it was made clear that Maritime NZ does not hold detailed regional numbers of recreational boaters. However, to gauge the trends in ownership the graph below (1) indicates steady increase in boat trailer registrations from 2003. For the Nelson and Tasman



Graph 1 Boat trailer registration trends in Nelson / Tasman region

regions they have grown from 1595 and 1999 been recorded in 2003 to 1882 and 2642 in 2012 respectively. These represent a percentage increase of 18% in Nelson and 32% in Tasman. This gives further evidence that there has been another increase in one of the potential influencing factors in the port and marina areas for water sport users from 2003-2012.

These growth factors including:-

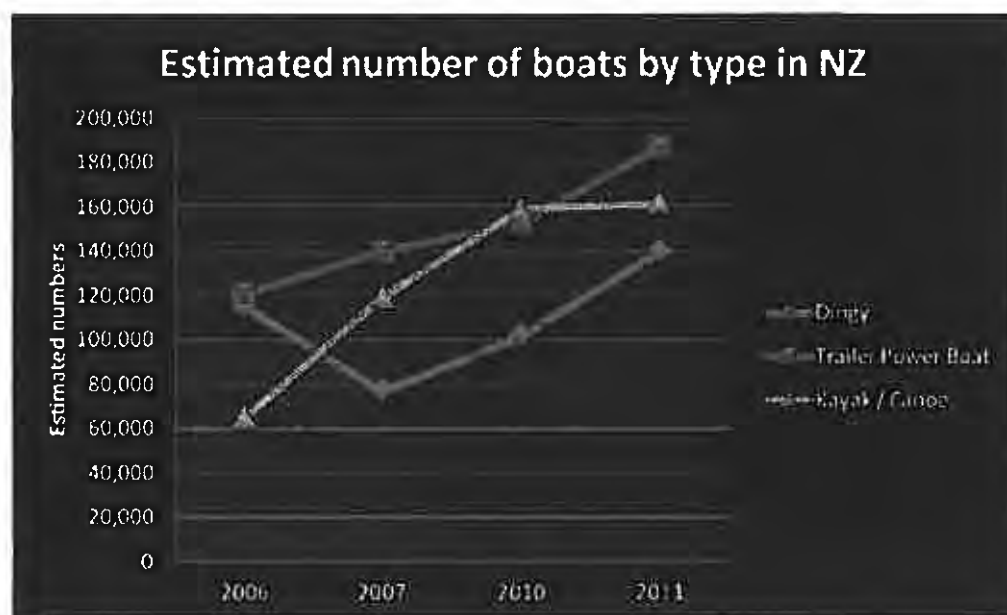
- ◆ Club growth and participation in water sports (3 clubs initially around marina:- 15 clubs consulted).
- ◆ Increased moorings in marina (553 pontoon berths, 36 pile berths, 48 dry berths)
- ◆ Growth in boat trailer registrations 2003-12.

Therefore, in going forward these current trends have to be considered as directly putting additional pressures overtime on the marina and wider area due to increased access needs being required.



4.6 National boating trends

The graph below (2) has been constructed with information provided by Maritime NZ. The top three largest type of boats used in NZ are represented here.



Graph 2 Estimated number of boats in NZ by type 2006-2011

From the graph we can identify that the largest percentage of boat users are power boats with 31% of the national users which is 186,912. Second, to this across the country are kayak / Canoe which represent 27% of all types which is 163,364. The third highest representative type are dingy which is 23% which equates to 139,836 boats nationally.

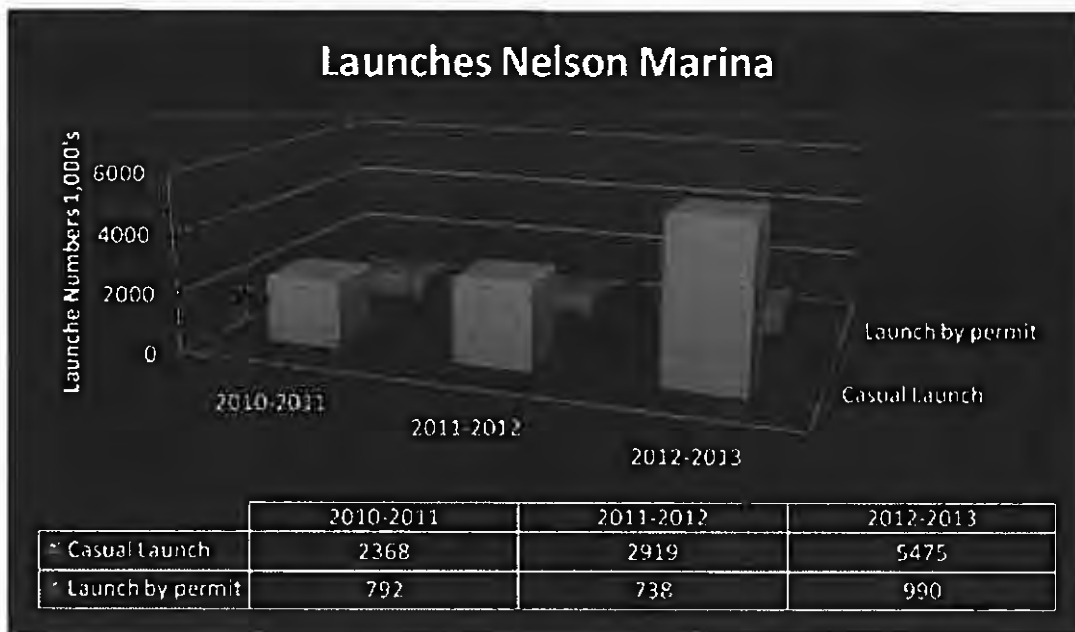
These national trends give further evidence to what could have been happening on a local level. With higher level of boat ownership and obviously owners wanting to access the water has potentially added further traffic congestion around Port Nelson and the marina.

Taking the example of kayak / canoe numbers nationally there has been a 152% growth from 2006-2011 this level of growth has slowed in recent years, but clearly indicates the pressure that has been placed to access water space.



4.7 Marina ramp launches

The graph below (3) identifies the boat launches from both casual and permit users from 2010-2013.



Graph 3 Number of casual and permit launches at the marina ramp between 2010-2013

The data has been collated is on the assumption that the permit users are making on average 18 launches per permit which is the break-even point in comparison to casual usage. By comparing these figures for the last three years the following increases have been identified:-

- ◆ The number of launches by permits has increased by 25%.
- ◆ The number of casual launches has increased by 131%.

These are very significant figures on the percentage of growth in launches in the marina area. This increase in launch traffic highlights further how the area at times has become very congested and for the non-powered water sport enthusiast a seemingly more dangerous area.

This would seem to explain some of the behaviour that has been witnessed at the marina ramp which has been referred to in the media (image 17 p.g.28). This current situation given the continuing pressure placed on the marina area may be one that will only worsen unless solutions are found.



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4.8 Water Safety

As part of the consultation process the water sport users were asked to make any further comments or suggestions in relation to using Port Nelson. Of the clubs consulted 65% made reference to having a "safety concern" which generally involved the behaviour of other users in the area.

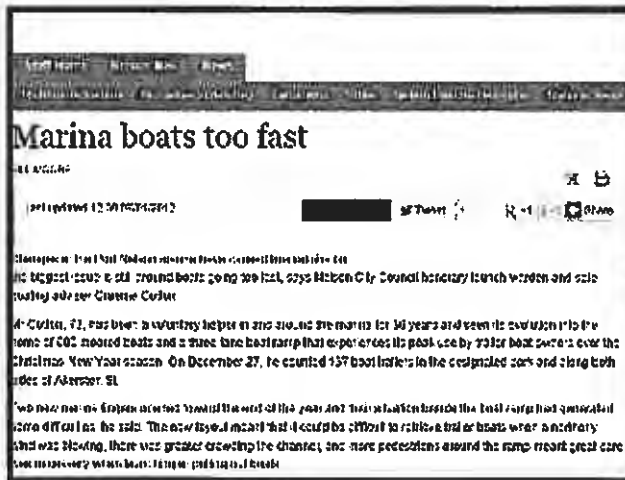


Image 16



Image 17

The images above (10 and 11) give an indication of the general feeling that has been captured during the consultation process. Since, the introduction of two further pontoons in close proximity to the original water Sports facility and the Akersten Road access ramp tensions have appeared to increased.

Generally, the non-powered users tended to feel that a "bottle neck" had been created by the new pontoons Configuration and there was a greater assumed risk due to poor practice of an accident happening.

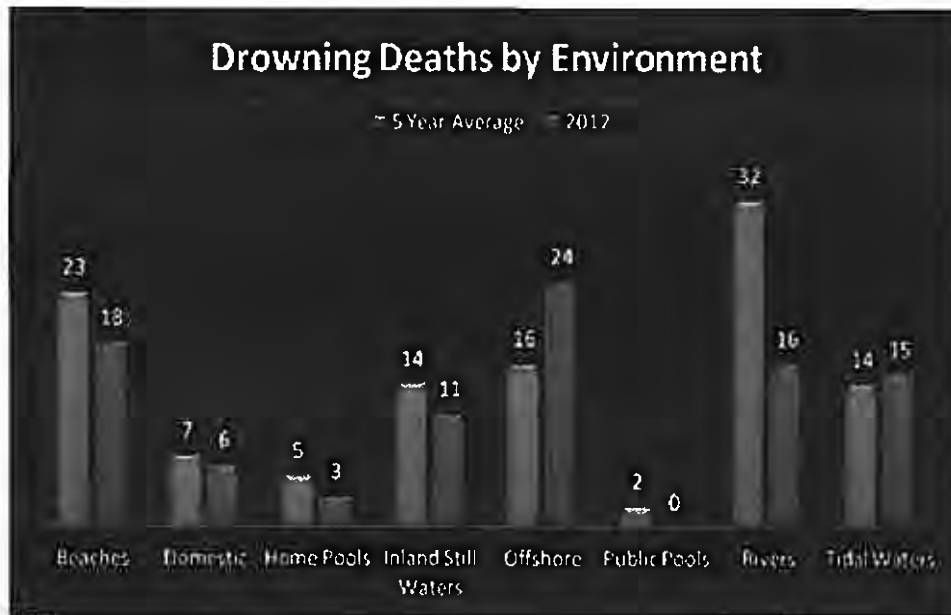
The possibility of this occurrence has been captured in the Port Nelson risk assessment plan which has increased the marina from a "medium to high" risk area.

From (image 11) it can be identified that at busy periods particularly around holiday periods, the increased traffic and congestion on the ramp has also led to increased tensions in the area.



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With the obvious concern for safety amongst water sport users in and around the Port Nelson area, analysis was carried out with a view to provide information relating to the water safety code. The water safety code is a collaborative partnership between New Zealand Search and Rescue, Water Safety New Zealand, Coastguard New Zealand and the Mountain Safety Council.



Graph 4 Mortality levels by environment

In recognising the potential dangers in and around the Port Nelson area the offshore environment had the highest number of fatalities in 2012 with 24. This was a 38% increase than in 2011.

More alarmingly, the number of power boat fatalities accounted for 38% of all mortalities. This has increased by 200% since 2010. The graph (2 page 24) highlighted the growth of boat ownership nationally accounting for 31% of all boats in NZ.

Therefore, the concerns which have been expressed to the local media (image 10) may seen justified given the increase in boat incidents being recorded.



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4.9 Summary of findings

The situation that the port and especially the marina area finds itself in is one of growth. This growth has been in recreational users wanting more mooring space and added pressure being put onto ramps and slipways, particularly the public boat ramp at Akersten Street (reference image 11 page 28) .

From the graph below (4) we can clearly identify that from the provision of Nelson Yacht Club, Sealord Marine Rescue Centre and the current water sports facility that opened in 1988 facility provision has remained static. However, the development of water sport clubs is the complete opposite with the graph (4) identifying rapid growth particularly from the 1980's to post 2000.



Graph 5 The provision of water sport facility provision and club growth over time

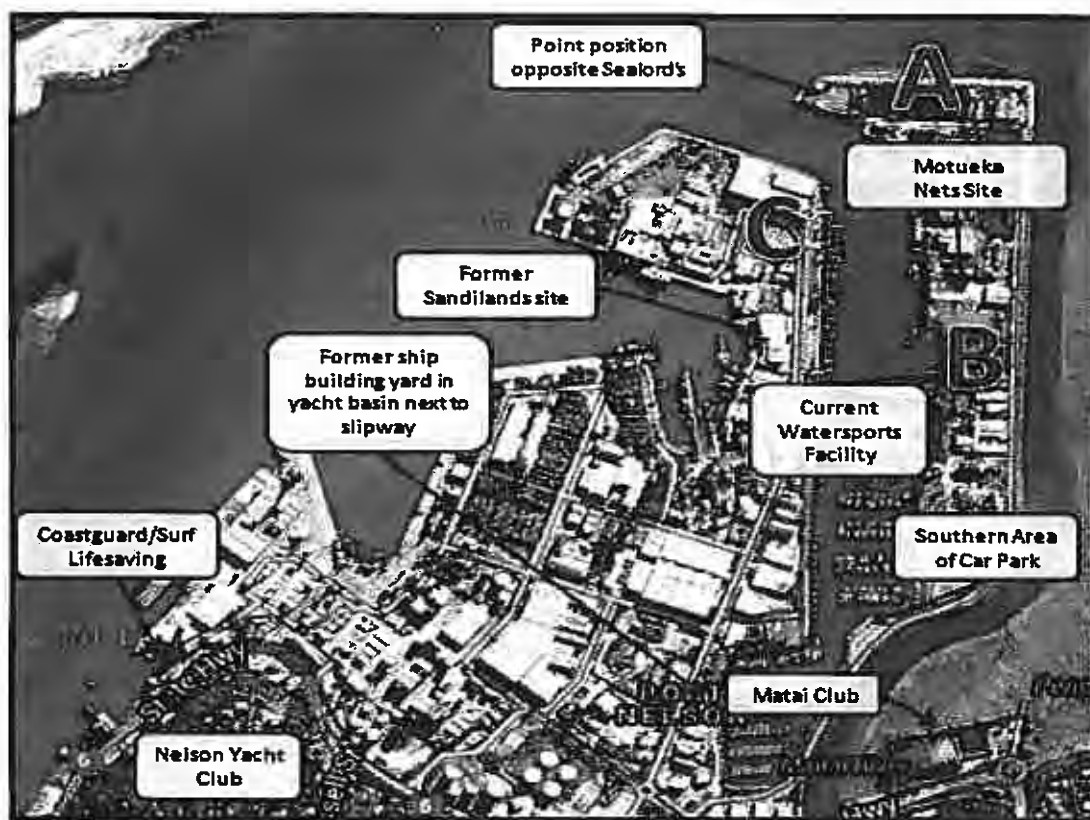
This increased demand for facility provision and access to water space has occurred at a time when there has been other pressures especially on the marina in terms of meeting increasing mooring needs and financial pressures to make the marina more sustainable. The evidence also points to more recreational boats accessing the Port Nelson area which again has added pressure to an already congested space. In the future, solutions will need to be sought in creating balance for all users and participants in accessing water space easily and safely .



5. Recommendations

5.1 Future facility locations

The image below (12) identifies the seven sites that had been identified but with three additional Recommendations, shown by the letters A,B and C. **Location A** is at the northern most point of the marina and offers open access. This would obviously need to be a new facility development which would have to



Map 4 Overview of marina with identified sites for future water sports facility)

improve water access with a new boat ramp and pontoons. Additionally, the area due to the space available should be able to accommodate large storage spaces and car parking.

Location B is the current site of the water sports facility which houses three clubs. Consideration has to be given to either extend the current footprint of the building or demolish and develop a new facility to house more clubs than previously. The draw back here is the limitations of the site especially with the continuing issues of water access especially during the busier summer months and increasing safety concerns.

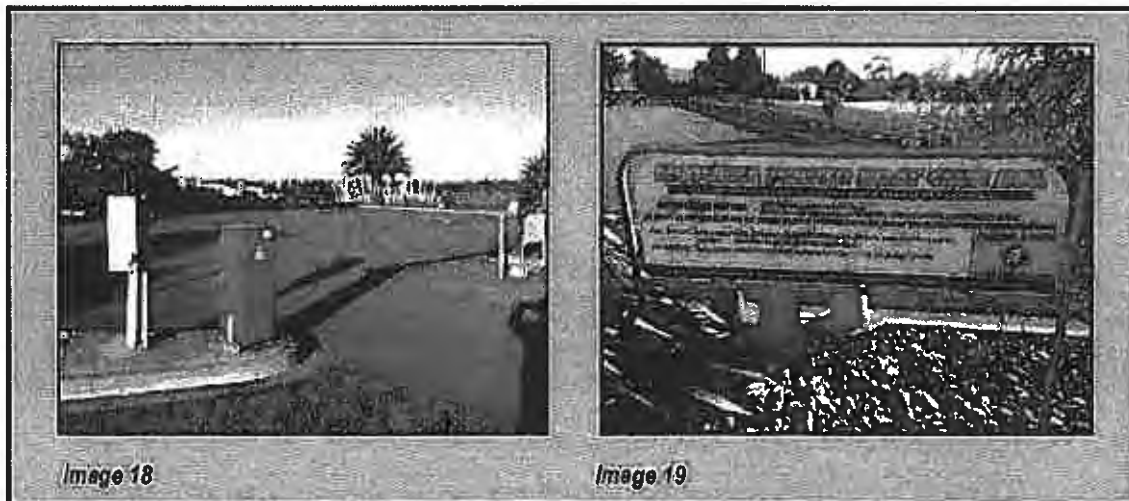


Location C is next to Sealord's on Vickerman Street and is in a position away from the main congestion area near the Akersten Street ramp. The facility design would potentially take the shape of a longer building opposite the marina space with a wide ramp access. Parking limitations and future space availability would be the key areas of concern in "future proofing" this area for years to come.

5.2 Access improvement measures

It has been identified earlier in the report (*graph 2 page 27*) that nationally there has been a dramatic increase in boat ownership numbers. This has also been confirmed regionally with the trend in trailer boat registrations increasing in Nelson / Tasman by on average 25% between 2003-12. With this level of growth being experienced it is fully understandable that the levels of congestion are being experienced especially during the busier summer months.

For this situation to change consideration should be given to controlling access better than is currently being managed or further investment in additional boat ramps to deal with the growth of recreational craft. The two images below (*image 13 and 14*) give an example of a possible control entry system as used at Motueka marina as adopted by Tasman District Council (TDC). The merits of this system could be to gather more



data evidence on usage patterns to help with future planning needs. Further work would have to be carried out to identify additional ramp locations in the Port Nelson or wider area that could support the growth in boat ownership.



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5.3 Facility design and mix

- ◆ Any potential facility development needs to consider future community needs.
- ◆ Regional, National and International good practice needs to be considered to ensure the "life cost" of any facility development is analysed.
- ◆ A feasibility study to be produced that would identify the best type of facility to meet the needs of users and have the necessary mix to cater for multi-sport demand.
- ◆ Consider further how a potential water sports development could not only solve the current demands from users but act as a potential tourism opportunity.

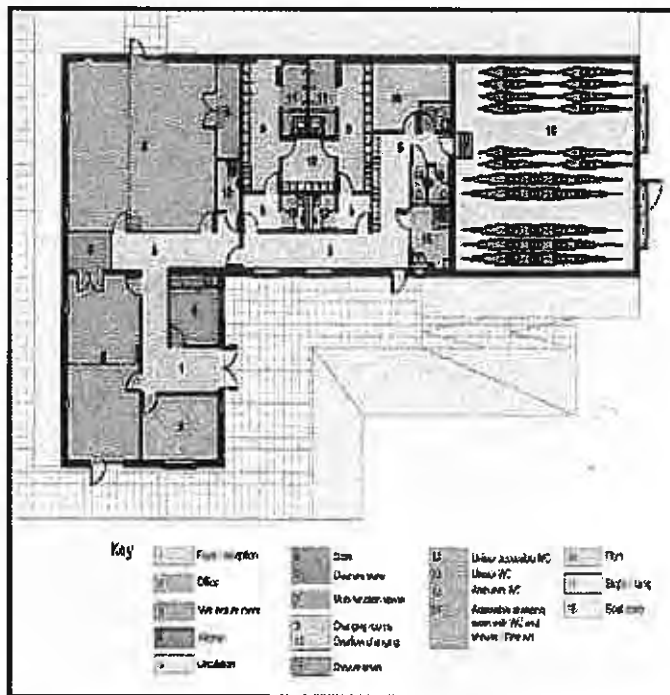


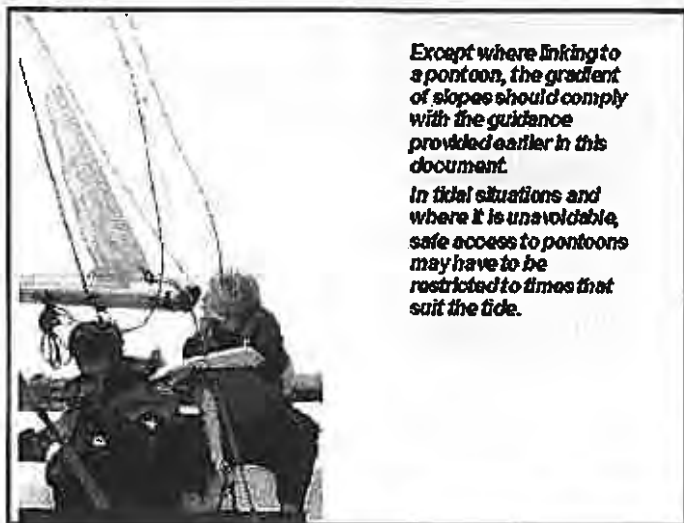
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Examples illustrated

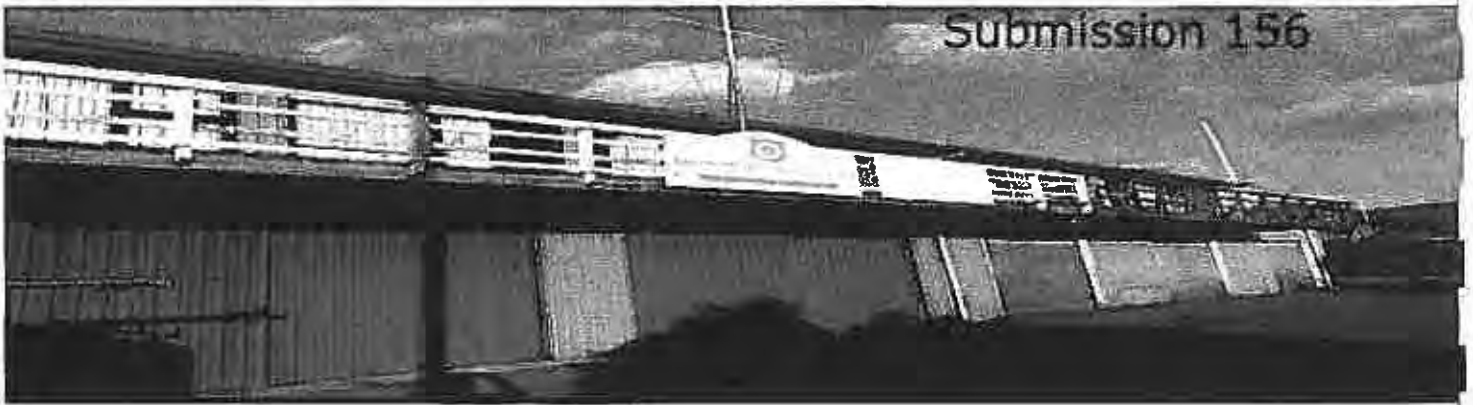
Above (image 15) is an example of a purpose built water sports facility which is promoted as good practice by Sport England.

Further to this, any new development could give further consideration including increasing any barriers that might exist around access.

The image opposite (image 16) identifies some of the international best practice and wider understanding that is now available in planning facilities (source Sport England Accessible Sports Facilities 2010). This plus other technology could be incorporated into any



Except where linking to a pontoon, the gradient of slopes should comply with the guidance provided earlier in this document.
In tidal situations and where it is unavoidable, safe access to pontoons may have to be restricted to times that suit the tide.



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5.4 Developing a "water sports facility" concept

The recommendation that the current facility provision doesn't meet the needs of the water sports users is just part of the puzzle. Potential locations and facility mix have already been mentioned but further to this is that now a great opportunity exists.

Examples are given here (images 17 and 18) of how other councils and areas in New Zealand have identified The bigger potential that water sport facilities can bring. This includes not only added health benefits for the

local community by having better access and more trained staff available to promote more water based activities.

This approach has been adopted by Wellington City Council (WCC), which has included a partnership with Sport NZ in receiving \$100,000 dollars to get more people in the water confidently.

Another example is in Tauranga where water sports participation is being promoted as part of the overall attractiveness of the destination to enhance the visitors experience. This is the type of approach, could benefit Nelson potentially with tourism and economic development opportunities.

International Best practice

Across the world in France a water sports centre is home to a sailing school. Which is open all year 7 days a week and offers group courses, special courses, facility hire to hosting corporate training opportunities. This more commercial approach supports the cost recovery of the initial development which could be a consideration.



Image 21



Image 22

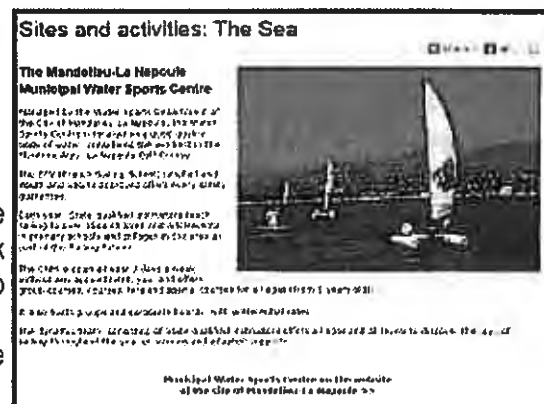
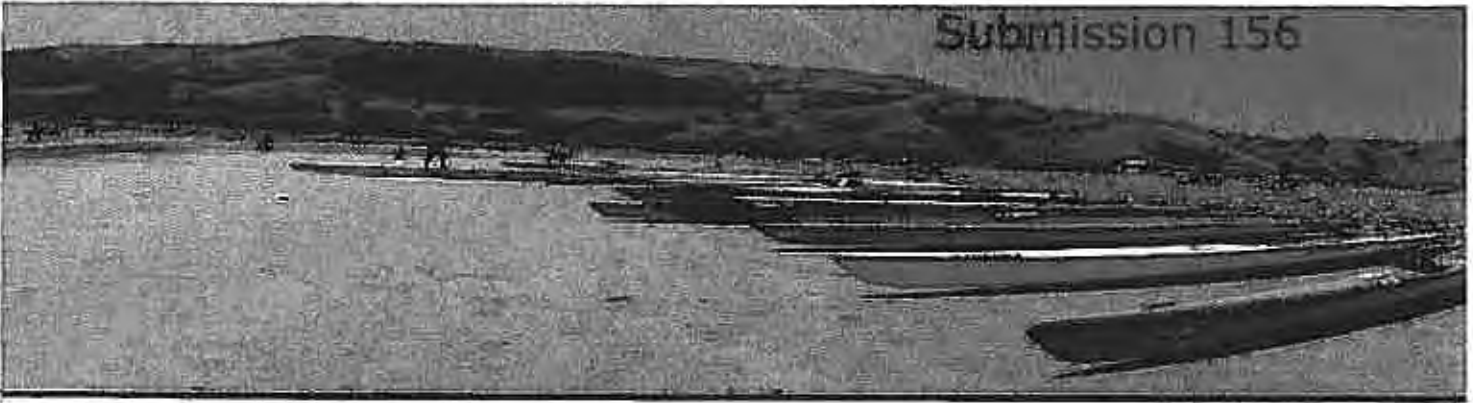


Image 23



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5.5 Case Study :Wellington Ocean Sports

If Port Nelson and the marina area in particular is to investigate further a water sports facility to meet the future needs of the clubs this report has included Wellington Ocean Sports as a case study.

- ◆ Wellington Ocean Sports is eighteen months into a three year Active Communities project designed to create a Sportsville Hub for Wellington Ocean Sports in Oriental Bay.
- ◆ There has been collaboration of 17 different groups to date that have been involved to increase participation opportunities to ocean sports.
- ◆ Visitors have the opportunity to "have a go" at- power boating, sailing, waka ama, windsurfing, Kayaking, paddle boarding and ocean sports in school programme.



Image 24

In this case the water sports facility has developed programmes and activities to allow the local community and visitors to experience Wellington's shoreline and harbour. Nelson has the opportunity to introduce this concept to the benefit of Nelsonians and the wider community and visitors to the region.



Image 25

- ◆ In the first 18 months of the project over 400 people discovered ocean sports at an open day.
- ◆ Over 2000 people experienced ocean sports.
- ◆ 1000 school children have taken part in the Kiwisport Ocean Sports Programme
- ◆ 500+ people have been involved in "learn to" sessions.

Mission statement:-

Connecting Wellingtonians to Wellington Harbour by increasing participation in Ocean sports.



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6. Conclusion

6.1 The way forward

To avoid further headlines like those identified in (image 22) it is vital that decisions are made about future facility provision. The graph 4 (pg 40) gives a clear indication that the growth in clubs has clearly outstretched club provision. Also, with participation numbers increasing the current facilities are lacking in terms of storage and training space.

Initially, this seems like a bleak situation for water sports and the community as increasing pressure is also being placed on boat ramps and water spaces due to increases in boat ownership.



Image 26

North Shore City Council for example has identified Takapuna as an area that has "magnificent potential". This has led to the production of a discussion document (source *Takapuna Strategic framework 2010*) which states that "virtually no other city centre in New Zealand has Takapuna's natural advantages". This statement could definitely be challenged by Nelson which boasts sheltered waters, golden beaches and amazing history based around sea and river experiences.



Image 27

The image above (23) is the vision of the new National Ocean Water Sports Centre in Takapuna. Going forward for Nelson this scale of facility Wouldn't be required for Nelson but it is given as an example of what can be achieved if there is "vision" for the future.

7. Appendices

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In producing this report Sport Tasman would like to thank the water sport clubs and other stakeholders that took part in the consultation process. Generally, the majority of people involved have been community volunteers who are dedicated and passionate about their chosen sport. We would like to add that all groups involved have been working collectively through the research and information gathering to ensure that the correct information has been provided.

Finally, further acknowledgment needs to be given to other stakeholders including Maritime New Zealand, Port Nelson, Coastguard Nelson and Water Safety New Zealand. Information has also been received from National Sporting Organisations in particular Rowing New Zealand, Waka Ama New Zealand and Canoe Racing New Zealand. Further, to this Sport New Zealand have given guidance and input as and when requested to further enhance the quality of the final report.

Sport Tasman Report Disclaimer

In preparing this report it has been necessary to make a number of assumptions on the basis of the information supplied to Sport Tasman in the course of research and consultation. The information contained in this report has been gathered during feedback, and understanding of trends in participation and demographic projections.

The author did not carry out an audit or verification of the information supplied during the preparation of this report, unless otherwise stated in the report. Whilst due care was taken during enquiries, Sport Tasman cannot be responsible for any errors nor mis-statements in the report that were gathered in due faith.

Submission to Nelson City Council Draft Annual Plan 2014-2015**1. Safety of Verandahs above the Footpath**

Council is to be congratulated for getting on and demolishing the old Bata Shoe Factory, AKA The Hub, a building which presented a significant risk to life in the event of a serious earthquake. But there is a lot more to do. A significant number, if not the majority, of fatalities and casualties that occurred in Christchurch as a result of the earthquakes in 2011 were brought about by the collapse of verandahs above footpaths.

Nelson City Council has a duty to ensure that its footpaths are safe to use. It is known, for example, that part of the Civic House formerly known as the State Advances Building, is woefully weak with regard to its ability to withstand a serious earthquake. In 2011 council staff working in that building were relocated to other parts of Civic House on safety grounds. But what about the public who daily walk around the building and under its verandah, are they safe? Also within the Central CBD, as well as the other commercial shopping areas around the City, there must be potentially unsafe verandahs attached to similarly unsafe buildings.

ACTION REQUESTED: In view of the age and unknown condition of many of the verandahs around the various CBDs in Nelson, please will Council advise either in its Annual Plan or via *Live Nelson* whether it is safe for the public to use all the footpaths in the various CBDs and if not which footpaths or parts of which footpaths are not safe.

2. The Worry with the Fringe on Top.

The harvesting, late last year, of the pines from the very steep sides of the Sugar Loaf Hill in the Brook Valley has created some concern amongst locals, in particular the reasons for the reluctance to fell the last stand of lonesome pines on the left of the summit.

I was surprised to be informed, by one of the workman controlling traffic during the felling operation that the pines on the left of the summit would not be coming down. I was also alarmed to hear that it would be too dangerous to fell these trees as there were large boulders around their bases that it was feared would break loose and accelerate down the steep hillside if attempts were made to remove the trees.

If that's true, I don't believe it's an acceptable state of affairs, particularly as Council issued resource consent for these trees to be felled. I, for one, would like to be reassured by the Nelson City Council that all is safe for the residents who live in, and the public who visit, Brook Street, Robinson Road and surrounding areas.

I can also advise that, in the few months since the felling ended, I have collected over a dozen large rocks which have fallen from the hill onto Brook Street, the largest being about a foot square in old money.

On the early English colonial maps the hill was called Rosebery Hill. Later locals christened it Sugar Loaf, now it would appear to be the Worry with the Fringe on Top.

ACTION REQUESTED: Please will Council advise, either in its Annual plan or via *Live Nelson*, whether the rocks and boulders on the Sugar Loaf that have been exposed by the recent felling of pine trees pose any danger for the public who drive, walk and cycle in the area, or residents who live in neighbouring Brook Street and Robinson Road.

3. Addressing the Decline of Local News Media.

I have always seen our local news media as a crucial part of the checks and balances that ensure a transparent, accountable and most important democratic council. It sad therefore, and cannot be denied, that fewer and fewer people under 40 either read newspapers or even listen to much news on the various broadcasting media. I can foresee, in the not too distant future, that the day will come when Council no longer has a member of the Nelson Mail present at its public meetings.

In nearly thirty years of attending and recording Nelson City Council meetings, I can say that often the only non-member of Council or Council staff attending the Council meetings was the journalist from the Nelson Mail. The media presence was a visible reminder to all present that the meeting was public and subject to the Public Information and Meetings Act 1987.

I can also say, with respect, that at those, thankfully few, times when a journalist, or any member of the public, wasn't present, Councillors would refer to, or pass comments about, subjects that they would have most certainly have remained silent about if a member of the press or public were present. Such casual behaviour not only compromised everyone present at the meeting but will, I believe, proliferate if, in future, Council no longer has the benefit of regular representation from the media at its meetings.

ACTION REQUESTED: - To ensure that Council Public Meetings continue to be conducted decently and in order and in accordance with Public Information and Meetings Act 1987, please will Council, within the next 12 months, make the necessary arrangements to start streaming or broadcasting its public meetings live on its website

4. Commemorating World War 1

This year the 4th August marks the centenary of the commencement of World War One. The British Cabinet decided that it had to honour the 1839 Treaty of London, which guaranteed the neutrality of Belgium, and declared war on Germany and the very 'british' Government of the Dominion of New Zealand quickly followed suit. The rest is history, myth, fable and probably quite a bit of exaggeration.

The centenary is a once in a generation chance for the city to mark the coming of age of New Zealand. Consultation with local historians will enable suitable and appropriate dates to be found for Nelson to mark the centenary. Properly organised it could be an exciting challenge to the schools, pupils and parents and others to explore the many strands that made up this unique national experience and touched and shaped all our families in so many ways only two or three generations ago.

ACTION REQUESTED: I respectfully request that Council set aside a generous sum from its Festivals Budget to fund community wide commemoration events to mark the Centenary of World War One in Nelson.

And that council consider appointing its Deputy Mayor (who has had great experience leading the superbly successful Trafalgar 200 Celebrations) to Chair a committee, with powers to co-opt, to organise community wide commemoration events to mark the Centenary of World War One in Nelson.

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5. Finally a Couple of Ideas on How to Lower the Rates

This old chestnut is often far too hard for Councils to swallow. How to find operational costs to cut, that is the problem.

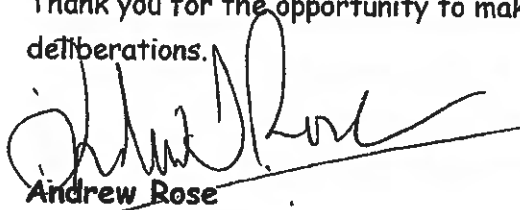
One way is to compare activities between the neighbouring Councils. For example Councillors may like to ask their Chief Executive why Nelson City has 6, or is it 7, Human Resource Staff Positions, over double the Human Resources Staff of Marlborough and Tasman District combined. How is it that our neighbours survive with one or two such staff when Nelson seems to be building a mini empire?

Another, albeit somewhat unpopular, way to reduce operational costs is for Councillors to bring their own lunches to Council Meetings. That would save the rates on a more than 25 properties, and show Councillors setting a very good example. Anyway, food (pun intended) for thought.

6.00 Live Nelson

It might be worthwhile to check on the circulation of this publication. As a Nelson resident I have not received a copy for some years.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission and the very best of luck with your deliberations.



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Draft Annual Plan submission form

Submissions close 4.30pm Monday 28 April 2014.

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Hearings will be held for those who wish to speak in support of their submission. Hearing dates are proposed to be 13, 14, 15, 16 May 2014.

Do you wish to speak at the hearing? Yes No *If you do not tick either, we will assume you do not wish to be heard.*
 Would an evening hearing suit you better? Yes No **Either way**

Public Information

Submissions to Council consultations are public information. Your submission will be available to the media and public.

Share your thoughts about the proposed changes in the draft 2014/15 Annual Plan.

Points I raise are not necessarily changes to Draft Plan, but more so an overview of current priorities.

- Time to present case at Public Hearing** – the 5 minutes used by the previous Mayor was not fair or reasonable – I objected to this and what happened in five consecutive presentations on 23/5/13 – see List.
10 minutes is needed for most people
- Parking** – the past (operated by NCC) and present systems had serious flaws to Central Nelson – the present review may help – but the central area needs a central multi-floor car park building right in the middle of Buxton Car Park.
- Inner City Rates Charges** – these were introduced as a temporary measure and very quickly became permanent by resolution of a gutless Council (scared to lose residential vote) – needs review.
- Lee Valley Dam** – most councillors wouldn't know where it might be located, its benefit to future growth of Nelson City and Richmond or to the huge benefits it would give to the maintenance of Horticulture in relation to the region or to its future growth. In 2012 most councillors didn't have a clue at the 10 year Hearing as to what effect the Dam would have on growth – does the present Council understand or know any better? Funds should be set aside yearly for its possible building.
- Retention of Inner City Retail (and other business)** the Richmond Mall appears to have had open for the last 20 years a direct line to the Nelson Mail who publish most of what they are told. Nelson needs to change that approach and be more aggressive and dynamic (which we ain't at present)
- Trafalgar Centre and NCC Owned Properties**
The decision made by your Council on these have been poorly researched and illustrate the confused and uninformed position of Senior Council Staff and Councillors – the Trafalgar Centre indecision is confused and damaging – you listen too much to Engineers and Solicitors and don't appear to question them – they are both safety first and fees earned orientated.
- Southern Link** The average non rush time to go to Richmond from Nelson approx 12 minutes. Between 3pm to 6pm probably 34 – 45 minutes and visa versa 80 to 93 in the morning – We need it and quickly.

What about letting the public take some of the risk based on sound information and advice.

To avoid confusion, please only send your feedback once, using your preferred method. You can mention more than one topic, and you don't need a separate form for each topic. We will promptly acknowledge it has been received.

 Visit Council's website nelsoncitycouncil.co.nz and fill out the online submission form (you can send attachments too)	 Drop your submission form and/or any written comments to the Civic House Customer Service Centre, 110 Trafalgar Street	 Mail your submission form and/or any written comments to: Draft Annual Plan, Nelson City Council Freepost Authority Number 76919, PO Box 645, Nelson 7040
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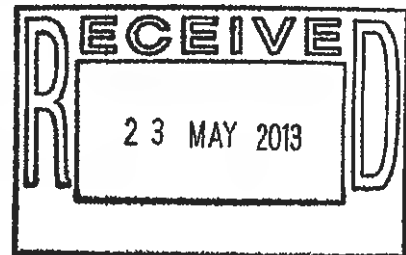
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I'll be interested to see how you get on.



The Nelson City Council
Trafalgar Street
Nelson

Mayor and Councillors

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15

I wish to make the following submissions to the Annual Plan

1. **Main Hall of the Trafalgar Centre**

1. Preamble. I have read a number of the reports provided by the Nelson City Council to the public to inform them of matters relating to the stability of the main hall of the Trafalgar Centre in the event of an earthquake. The raft of unpredictable earthquakes of various magnitudes which occurred in the Christchurch CBD and environs caused extensive damage to a wide range of buildings. One must assume that taking these lessons on board the design capability of engineers, architects and builders are better equipped now to design buildings for earthquake prone areas in NZ. However the speed and the method by which the Trafalgar Centre was closed to public use was astonishing, which in my opinion can be likened to punishment before the fact. This submission was prepared with assistance of well informed people and reports and is intended to provide a picture in the minds of the reader of the reinforced concrete framework of the main hall constructed to maintain its integrity according to the building standards required at the time of building. Considering the huge weight of reinforced concrete on this site, there has to my knowledge been no report of subsidence or sign of stress fractures in the reinforced concrete.

2. Start of construction. The work on building the main hall of the Trafalgar centre commenced about May 1971 following a comprehensive set of detailed plans prepared under the direction of Sanders and Lane, consulting engineers, Nelson. There were amendments to the plans/specifications as the centre's consultants incorporated modifications to increase the overall effectiveness and strength of the structure of the building.

3. Franki Piling System. One notable change was the use of the Franki Piling System (1) replacing the use of precast concrete pile of a nominal length of 30 feet. This was a very significant development as it enabled piles to be cast to a length that struck a soil formation which met the requisite minimum loading bearing properties for the piles (49 tons). There were other advantages of this system a couple of which were firstly the capacity of the system to use a solid metal casing about 30 foot long and through which a drop hammer can densify soil of acceptable bearing capacity, at the bottom of the casing and in so doing forced a plug(s) of concrete below the casing to form a bulb or a mushroom type foot which improves significantly the bearing capacity of the pile and in so doing imbedding the bottom of the pile in the substrate; secondly when withdrawing the casing during the simultaneous process of charging the casing with concrete, a unique tamper was used to densify the concrete forcing it into and against the soil wall. Thus the pile diameter increased at least to the exterior diameter of the casing providing an extra thickness of concrete outside the metal reinforcing, thereby ensuring the design and shear strength of the pile.

4. Design features. The building design required piles along the outside perimeter of the building and these were interconnected with a concrete beam 3 foot deep over their pile caps then to the vertical columns and block work that formed the perimeter framework of the seating stands. Inside this perimeter structure, near ground level, there are transverse 3 foot deep concrete beams connecting with the top of the pile caps of either the single, double or treble piles and from which concrete columns were formed to complete the concrete framework of the seating stands. The concrete wall on the Eastern side of the main hall was buttressed.

5. Enhancing stability of the superstructure. The transverse concrete beams above the piles (inside the perimeter beams) were only formed where the reinforced concrete seating area was to be built and not underneath the main hall's wooden floor. However, through them were ducts, which passed underneath the wooden floor, from the East side to the West side within which high tension cables were fed, tensioned, fastened and then grout forced into them to stabilise their position. This measure was a means of enhancing the stability of the ground positions of beams and pile caps and therefore firmly stabilise the architects ground positions of the opposing seating stands.

6. Integrated grid work of cohesive strength. This project then resulted in at ground level an integrated grid of reinforced concrete piles, pile caps, large beams and tension cables having a powerful cohesive force in resisting damage to it and the seating stands during an earthquake.

deposited within the last 10,000 years) sands and silts of similar grain sized (well sorted), in beds at least metres thick, and saturated with water. Such deposits are often found along stream beds, beaches, dunes, and areas where windblown silt (loess) and sand have accumulated. An example of soil liquefaction is earthquake liquefaction.

10.3 Therefore one can understand why the designers of the main hall of the Trafalgar Centre found that the best soil foundation material available for the piles is present in level 4 of the soil profile. In addition it appears that the components of this part of the subsurface soil profile are less than satisfactory for liquefaction because of the absence of well sorted silts and sands of similar grain size which are metres thick. As well, gravels are present in level 4 of the profile.

10.4 By the builders compacting soil on which a concrete pile will be cast using the hammer of the Frankie piling machine (refer para. 3 above for the technique) will reduce the pore space for water in the soil material, decreasing or eliminating the likelihood of the soil liquefying under the pile base during an earthquake.

10.5 Remember that there are specific criteria for soil before it will liquefy as is stated above and as the evidence in Christchurch has demonstrated. Should it liquefy anywhere above the base of the piles and if the liquefied soil moves laterally there is no proof that it will cause lateral movement of the piles nor is it likely that such movement of small particles will exceed the shear strength of the piles simply because of the flow characteristics of liquids.

10.6 Liquefaction of soil below the densified pile bulb would be a problem but not life threatening. It would be unlikely to occur as the characteristics of the soil there, as described in para.9/4 are very unlikely to be subject to liquefaction.

10.7 Buildings in Nelson which have been built on sandy-silt soils metres thick should be concerned about their building if an earthquake occurs of the magnitude or greater than that which caused liquefaction in Christchurch.

10.7 For a senior engineer of the Nelson City Council to say in public that the main hall of Trafalgar centre is sitting on piles 3 metres long when in reality they are about 11 metres long, one wonders whether any engineering report/assessment on the main hall, paid for by the ratepayers, has grasped the practical issues of this matter.

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Acknowledgement: I acknowledge the knowledge and expertise of Kerry Neal whose understanding of this subject became a fountain of enlightenment.

Addendum: In the draft annual plan it states that the **Trafalgar Centre has been identified as an earthquake prone building.** This is a somewhat fatuous or inane statement as there are many buildings in the Nelson area which are an earthquake risk depending on the magnitude of the earthquake. There is evidence to suggest that the Nelson City Council building is also an earthquake risk for a number of reasons and particularly the Nelson Airport building and tarmac. The buildings on the port reclamation are also liable for damage where the underlying soil has the consistency and depth of that where liquefaction occurred in Christchurch. My personal view is that the Trafalgar Centre has been overstated as far as earthquake risk is concerned and there is no evidence that it is **prone to earthquakes** otherwise it would be a heap of rubble now!. The Christchurch experience should be a lesson to all those people who write such narrow focussed crap.

2. Modellers Pond

I endorse the need to upgrade the modellers pond to a state where it can be used without danger to the health of users of pond. In this respect the pond needs to be of a depth to satisfy safety issues and able to use models of appropriate size without hindrance. The bottom of the pool should be concreted to make it easier to keep clean. The practice of pumping stormwater into the pond should cease and that stormwater originating from a number of roads including Centennial should be piped to some other processing unit. I understand that the stormwater is fouling the modellers pond.

3. Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust Fence

I believe that the Council should tell the Trust Board that they should employ a qualified slope stability expert to examine and report on the safety and durability of building a benched track underneath the Dun Mountain Track. The building of the Dun track has cast spoil down the steep slope. The steepness of the area between the Dun track and the proposed benched track for the animal proof fence could initiate periodic slope failures and smash the predator fence particularly during storm

events. The benched track will have a long steep batter slope and the maintenance of the fence will cost zillion of dollars when the material on the batter slope slides regularly . In my view the Nelson City Council and ratepayers will suffer the costs for this type of maintenance and therefore it should be nipped in the bud.

Funding of the predator fence should be held back until a suitably qualified slope stability expert has assessed the risks of such an investment and consequential damage to the predator fence because of slope stability issues.

Funding of \$1million dollars should be withheld until such time that there is proof that this proposal will not require additional funds from ratepayers of the Nelson City Council.

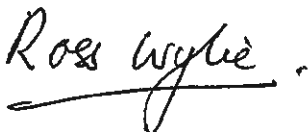
4. Theatre Royal

By all reports the theatre is putting on great shows at regular intervals. I seems that despite this and often full house performances the theatre still needs funding from the ratepayer. Why is this so?

5. Increase in Rates

I think that the Nelson City Councillors need to have an even harder look at their proposed expenditure and ratchet it down to an increase of not greater that 2%. Just for once have a look at all the cost of living statistics, earning statistics for employed people and those people on fixed or CPI adjusted incomes. The council has to get out of the Father Christmas frame of mind and jettison those expense activities that are not within the aegis of what is prescribed by the Local Government Act. Now if private tourism enterprises want ratepayers money spent on tourism promotion they should pay for it and be levied accordingly by council. Why should an old age pension pay indirectly for a service through rates that are not used for their benefit?

Yours faithfully
Ross Wylie



I wish present my submission to Council.

Submission to the City Council Nelson
28.4.14
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I am concerned about the following issues

- Council transparency
- Democracy
- Housing issues
- Kindness and compassion
- Lifestyle discrimination by Council
- Transport
- The lack of public toilets in picnic areas eg Maitai upper area.

1a) Council transparency/ housing issues/democracy/housing issues/ kindness and compassion/lifestyle discrimination

Council transparency

For example If a city councillor's brother gains money for a feasibility study?

Also if the councillor in council is behind the removal of long term residents to make it easier for a Gondola which is his brother's project.

1b) Can individuals in the council seriously place birds above people? I would like them to consider how they would feel if they were to be made homeless.

As a rate payer I do not want to sponsor a private business which will require frequent amounts of council money to prop it up. Especially if this means the whole project plus other ones will put parking above people. Out of town people and tourists have enjoyed staying here in the past and would use it if it was available therefore there needs to be the maximum area available.

1c) It is far cheaper to keep people at a long term camping ground than to re-house them because they have been made homeless.

!d) It is important that we have diversity and respect people who have a different way of looking at the world. Diversity is a healing thing rather than something to be feared

1e) From a humanitarian principle:

- Please do not evict these people.
- It is a matter of personal integrity and doing the right thing

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The Mayor and Councillors

Submission to 2013/14 Draft Annual Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission.

Last year I commented on two issues affecting debt levels, and then summarised the combined effect of these issues on the Council's operating surplus/deficit. **Borrowing to fund operating expenses is like going to the bank manager and asking for a loan so that you can afford to go to the pub for a drink!**

I will also raise two other issues.

1. Funding of operating costs through borrowings – (Deficit Budgeting).

As noted in the previous two years, I am concerned regarding the Council's current practise of funding operating expenditure through borrowings. I am pleased to see that this deficit budgeting for 2014/15 is at least reduced from the past two years, (see summary in No. 3 below), but as long as there is any deficit budgeting there must be concern. The main argument the Council has given for this deficit budgeting has been the recovery costs following major weather events. The danger with this policy is that, due to climate change, major weather events are likely to be a regular fact of life. The storm on Easter Thursday is another example of this, and we have now had three major weather events in the past 2 ½ years. If these events are to occur so regularly it is vital that the Council cease funding them by way of loans. They are operating costs and so should be funded from operating revenue – presumably rates. There may be justification in funding really major events by way of loan, but the classification of what is a major event must be raised to a level that will exclude these regular weather events.

The Emergency Recovery Fund was set up to provide funding for major events the funding of which would be unfair to be funded from one year's rates. Unfortunately this fund was significantly overdrawn after the December 2011 storm and I understand it will take almost a decade to bring it back into surplus. I do not agree with this treatment as reserves should not go into deficit. It is not a reserve at all! It is a major loan, hidden in the Corporate Activity. In my view once all the surplus funds in the reserve had been spent there should have been no more transfers from the account. The individual activities should have borrowed to fund the recovery costs, (if the Council insists on deficit funding). Under the current policy the General Rate is funding major finance costs which should really be funded from the Stormwater Separate Rate, Waste Water Charge or Water Charge.

The Emergency Recovery Fund is incorporated in the Corporate Activity, and even with additional information provided by the Finance I still have difficulty understanding the way it is

handled. I understand however that Council has provided for a transfer of \$1.5 million to the account in 2014/15, but this is simply funded from the surplus carried forward from 2013/14. Despite this transfer it is still planned to borrow a further \$566,000. I would have liked to see the Council budget at least some rating income to reduce the deficit in the fund, or at least fund the \$566,000 rather than increase the deficit.

I note that since the Draft Plan was put out for consultation the Government has announced that it will provide \$1.46 million assistance towards the recovery costs of the December 2011 event. I would hope that this funding will be put straight into the Emergency Recovery Fund to reduce its borrowings.

2. Loan Repayment Policy

I wish to resubmit my previous submission regarding the Council's loan repayment policy. Up until the 2009/19 LTCCP was finalised, Council had a loan repayment policy that stated that loans would be repaid over 40 years i.e. at a rate of 2½% per annum. Due to the economic situation at the time it was decided that the repayments should be suspended for two years, and then phased back in over the following four years. During the preparation of the 2011/12 Annual Plan it was decided to extend the repayment suspension for another year. The 2012/22 Long Term Plan did not even include a policy regarding loan repayments and I understand that there is no intention to make any loan repayments other than short term repayments with depreciation funds that are not currently required to fund capital expenditure. Under the previous policy the Council would have been repaying between \$3 and \$4 million in the year under review.

Up until 2009 the Council was funding depreciation, as well as loan repayments over 40 years. I accept that is rather conservative, but that is why the debt level is at the reasonable level that it is today. (I did from time to time suggest that the 40 year repayment period could be increased, but Council decided to stay with the 40 years so as not to increase future interest payments.) The short term suspension of repayments in 2009 was probably justified due to the serious economic situation at that time, but the Council should at least be starting to commence repayments, even if it decides to amend the policy to spread the repayment over a longer period, say 80 or 100 years, (1.25% or 1%). If this is not done the debt level will simply keep increasing until it reaches an unsustainable level, and the Council is unable to borrow any more. This may not happen in the next ten years, but it is a serious future risk, and it is irresponsible to pass this problem on to the next generation. As debt levels increase, the interest costs increase in proportion.

However there is an even greater risk here. I note that interest costs are forecast to increase from \$6.4 million to \$11.6 million over the ten years of the LTP. It should be noted that interest rates are currently at a very low level based on past experience, (despite the two recent increases). Imagine the effect on rates if the interest rates were to double. This may sound far-fetched but when I joined the Council I inherited loans funding the Maitai Dam that were at an interest rate of 18%. I never had to borrow at this high level but I did have to borrow at double digit rates. The Council should be making repayments now using the savings from the reduced interest rates, so as to cushion the blow when interest rates increase significantly again.

I therefore submit that Council re-introduce a loan repayment policy which at least allows for some level of annual repayment, even if at a lower rate than the previous policy, and that the forecast for 2014/15 be amended to take account of this.

I suspect that some of you will say that the Council is repaying debt, i.e. the unused depreciation in any one year is used to repay loans. However these payments are not long term loan repayments. They are simply temporary investments of the funds until they are re-borrowed to fund the replacement of the asset that had been depreciated.

3. Summary of effects of these two issues

It is the combined effect of these two issues that really concern me. The effect is that Council is not paying its way as the budget shows a deficit in its day to day operations. The Prospective Statement of Comprehensive Income shows a surplus of \$11.9 million but this very misleading due to the high level of revenue of a capital nature. When the surplus is adjusted for these capital items it reveals a deficit of \$4.2 million in the day to day operations. I would point out that \$1.29 million of that deficit is due to the funding of the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary fence and the Saxton Veledrome. These are contributions to capital projects which the Council will not own, and so cannot capitalise. I agree with this treatment and so the deficit budgeting that I am concerned about in the 2014/15 draft plan is only \$2.91 million. To summarise the true day to day operations included in the budget:

	Draft 2012/13 Millions	Draft 2013/14 Millions	Draft 2014/15 Millions
Operating surplus as per Statement of Comprehensive Income	15.6	3.9	11.9
Less: Extraordinary revenue:			
Vested assets	7.6	3.0	3.0
Accounting for; Theatre Royal assets	6.6	0.0	0.0
School of Music assets	2.4	0.0	0.0
Other capital revenue	<u>6.0</u>	<u>6.6</u>	<u>13.1</u>
Total capital revenues	<u>22.6</u>	<u>9.6</u>	<u>16.1</u>
Real day to day operating loss	<u>\$(7.0)</u>	<u>\$(5.7)</u>	<u>\$(4.2)</u>

During my 21 years working for the Council I always tried to encourage prudent financial management. I think that I was reasonably successful, and that is the reason the Council's debt level is as low as it is. The above figures clearly show that the Council is not acting in a prudent manner, and is setting future Councils up for major problems.

Council can only continue deficit budgeting, and no loan repayments for so long, and when it stops doing so there will have to be a significant increase in rates.

It would be irresponsible and immoral for the Council to proceed with the Plan as currently forecast. The deficit should be reduced by \$2.91 million. This could be done by either reducing operating expenditure, or increasing operating revenue, (presumably rates).

4. Walkway from Stanley Crescent

The walkway down from Stanley Crescent to Haven Rd. has now been closed for over two years. It was an important access from Stanley Crescent to the central city and the alternative via Maori Rd. is rather dangerous. It is very narrow road, and for half its length it has no footpath. The walkway was previously well used, by local residents, walkers and runners.

I ask that the Council look into reinstating the walkway, either in its previous location or in a new location.

5. Kauri Tree on the Centre of New Zealand

The various tracks up the Centre of New Zealand have signs directing people to the Kauri tree that was planted in 1951. This tree has a fence round it, presumably to protect the root system. If you go to this tree via the track that continues up to the northern ridge you actually pass a much bigger Kauri tree. It is at the intersection of the track where the marked Kauri tree leaves the northern ridge track, just below the first set of steps. This tree has no signposting, and everyone going past it walks over its roots. I am by no means an expert on trees, but considering the constructions on other pathways to protect tree roots, I would have thought that some effort to do the same here would be well worthwhile. The track is quite wide at this spot and the side nearest the tree could be closed off quite easily, or the track could be moved further away from the tree. I would also like to see the tree signposted as it is a much more impressive tree than the one that is currently signposted.

I ask that the Council look into what should be done to better protect this tree, and to signpost it.

In conclusion, I am gravely concerned that the current Council policies on borrowing, debt repayments and debt levels are creating major problems for the future. Based on the Long Term Plan and this Draft Annual Plan, Council is simply not paying its way and is passing on current costs that our children and grandchildren will be left to shoulder. I would have hoped that you might have learnt from the situation in Greece, Cyprus and other such countries. They have borrowed to fund operating costs for many years and now can't afford the interest, let alone the repayments.

Summary of my submissions:

- A. **That Council cease funding operating expenses by way of borrowings, and that the Draft Plan be amended to take account of this, either by increasing rates or else by eliminating significant levels of operating expenses.**
- B. **That Council re-introduce a loan repayment policy which at least allows for some level of annual repayment, even if at a lower rate than the previous policy, and that the forecasts be amended to take account of this.**

- C. That the Council look into reinstating the walkway from Stanley Crescent to Haven Road, either in its previous location or in a new location.
- D. That the Council look into what should be done to better protect the Kauri tree on the Centre of New Zealand, and better signpost it.

Thank you for considering my submission.

I wish to speak to this submission, preferably in the first two hours of the day please.



Submission Form – Nelson City Council – Draft Annual Plan 2014/15

I act as a self employed Commercial Property Manager, I am based in Nelson and either own or manage six Nelson Central city properties, along with other commercial properties located in Stoke / Richmond and outside of the Nelson region.

I do not need to speak to this submission this year.

PARKS AND ACTIVE RECREATION

Trafalgar Centre

I note that the NCC has proposed spending significant funds on the engineering issues around the Trafalgar Centre, this an important asset to the community which while closed will result in a number of significant events bypassing Nelson. I am concerned that the NCC upgraded a significant portion of the property only a few years ago to now find that the land it is located on was not upto the standards acceptable at the time. I support the NCC undertaking these engineering check works to find a solution with all haste.

Tasman Heights

The NCC has decided to defer the walkway link between Tasman Heights and Douglas Road. This is a disappointing outcome, we would prefer to see this linkway reinstated into the Annual Plan and further work done on the engineering issues to see this project completed.

CORPORATE

Bank Lane

I Act as the Property Manager for the property owners of 218 Trafalgar street, directly beside Bank Lane. The owners of the syndicate thank the Councilors for their foresight in working in with the property owners to see the completion of the Bank Lane canopy upgrade. This lane is an important link between Montgomery Carpark and Trafalgar street. The shared responsibility of this upgrade is a logical answer. We look forward to being able to proceed with this project as soon as funding is confirmed.

Rating Review

I thank the NCC for their decision to review the "SUIP's" charging, this charge was unfair for a number of tenants and owners, notably in smaller multi tenanted properties where their rates liability was significantly higher on a per person basis than in larger buildings.

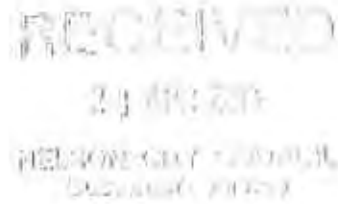
Yours faithfully



David Penrose

Submission for the Nelson Draft Annual Plan 2014/15 – April 2014

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- No, I do not wish to speak. I will be there, taking notes, but I will probably never speak again, after being humiliated by a councillor two years ago.
- At my age, daytime hearings would be better.

WHO'S TALKING TO YOU?

- I am female.
- Almost 70 years old.
- I'm Dyslexic, so writing this is not easy.
- We've been living in Monaco, in the same house, for over 40 years.
- We bought our house for \$32,000 and currently pay \$4,633 annually in rates (thankfully down from \$5,007).
- I was a Permanent Resident Immigrant, now a New Zealand Citizen.
- I've taught at Nayland College, held down many jobs, started my own business and am now retired.
- I'm pro-active and fill in your submissions, attend the odd Council meeting and write letters to the editor. I'm a member of the Nelson Residents Association.
- I'm a serious recycler, and stop at the Recycle Centre once a week to buy stuff back.
- I have not borrowed a library book for many years but I cherish my Library Card, and have used their toilets in both Nelson and Richmond.
- I have only been to one rugby game in my whole life (never been to cricket), but have watched my grandchildren play netball at Saxton's Field.
- I am rarely interested in live theatre shows – but I do take advantage of the senior discount rate for the movies.
- I have visited the i-Site for Nelson brochures to send to visiting friends (and plan my local holidays away from Nelson)... and use their toilet.
- I go to town 1-2 times a week and use my City Council Senior Citizens parking card, and have a Disabled Parking Permit. I also shop in Richmond just as much.
- I didn't go to Opera in the Park this year, but I'd be happy to do it again, even without imported "Top" talent. (it was great when it only cost \$5 and we brought our own lawn chairs)
- I have gone to the Provincial Museum in Town – but still think it's a funny place to put it. I love Founder's Park, and would never miss the Book Fair – where I was a core volunteer for over 12 years.
- I haven't been to Natureland yet this year – but thank God we didn't lose it.
- I took part at the Summer Sunday Craft Markets at Broadgreen, and think it's a lovely local park and garden.
- My Photo Club used Isel for an all day project... another beautiful park.
- We've been to Rabbit Island for 2 different club picnics in the last year.
- I took a bus trip with the Waimea Inlet Forum to see the cycle trail and the work they've done planting along the estuary.

I love Nelson and wouldn't want to be anywhere else.

THIS PAGE IS TO BE READ BY NEW COUNCILLORS AND THOSE WHO SKIPPED IT IN THE PAST

I will be writing in the 1st person, so when I say “you” I am speaking to the Nelson City Councillors. And, when I CAPITALISE a word it is meant to be shouted with emphasis. If it's underlined and bold, I'm probably mad.

I truly feel that the N.C.C. has already made up its mind **BEHIND CLOSED DOORS** as to what it plans to do for the city. I will fill in this submission, as I have done many times before, but it seems that from your exalted position you think you can treat us like children because you know what is best for us.

Your mandate should **ONLY** be to run the city's infrastructure: clean water, controlled garbage, safe city streets, etc. Your job is **NOT** to spend **OUR** money to entertain us – unspoiled beaches and tidy parks should be where your responsibility begins and ends when it comes to outdoor activities and amusement.

YOU might like to ride a bike to work and think it is a good, healthy idea for the rest of us, but that does not mean you should ignore the parking issue and punish people who like cars.

Life has many more options than it did 20 years ago. Leave us alone to get on with our own interests. Many of the Council sponsored events are lovely (Masked Parade, Santa Parade, etc), but could just as easily be sponsored by private enterprise. Each event takes thousands of taxpayer dollars, hundreds of staff hours, but might only last for 120 minutes! You shouldn't have to pay people to amuse us, and if you can't get volunteers to help it's because we're too busy doing things ourselves or we're uninterested.

Next - Stop trying to draw in the tourists, they love Nelson and come regardless of what you do. You were voted in to care and protect **US** – not Wellingtonians, etc. I realize that the Business sector is part of “us” – but you should not be spending taxpayer money to prop up restaurants, shops and motels/hotels. If a restaurant feels it has to rely on visitors to stay afloat, it started with a bad business model! If a motel needs more beds filled to make a profit... we had enough in the first place.

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1. **TRANSPORT - CABLE BAY:** It's taking too long. Finish the job!
2. **TRANSPORT – SHARED PATHWAYS:** Get on with it. The only bad thing is that, keeping bikes off the road does not teach drivers how to look for bikes and how to navigate safely around them. As stated in the *Live Nelson*, "drivers dissociate themselves from cyclists and don't identify with them as a group."
 - a. I hate to see bike riders on the Bishopdale Hill – it scares me to death! Rocks Road isn't much better, but the cars are not going 70km.
 - b. Why does Bishopdale have to be 70km anyway, it's probably only 2k of road. No one has to be in that much of a hurry. That area doesn't need to be treated as a highway, it's residential.
 - c. The same with Atawhai, the residents wanted the speed lowered, listen to them, not the Transport Dept.
3. **TRANSPORT – NEW LIGHTS ON WAIMEA:** It's OK, make it a Free Left Turn onto Motueka St.
4. **TRANSPORT/ROADING:** "Open Road" signage on the Wangamoas is ridiculous when there are dozens of signs posted to slow down to 35k at every curve. Until they straighten out the road on our side of the saddle, lower the speed limit.
5. **TRANSPORT/ROADING - THE BACK BEACH ROAD OF MONACO:** This is personal!!! The back beach IS a legal road, it's just not paved.

NEWS
structive 'hoons' disturb resid



- a. This is not a new issue. We have sent many photos to the newspaper of people suck in the quagmire of soft sand midway between the two sealed portions of Point Road.
- b. Recently, two signs were installed stating "Caution: subject to tidal conditions". But this does NOT enlighten anyone to the biggest danger that exist - WHEN THE TIDE IS OUT.
- c. It isn't only hooning teenagers making "donuts" on dark weekends who get stuck, but tourists who have also followed the tyre marks leading straight into this trap.
- d. Just last weekend I called the police at 4:45am – I was too afraid to go out in the dark. It was two boys who had STOLEN a car (the second such incident). The police said "the Council won't do anything about it." which was confirmed by a council staff member (Roy Niles) who called us and said "Two signs have been erected and nothing further will be done."
- e. For years it has been up to the local residents to take action and either personally pull people out of the mud, or arrange for the AA to come to the rescue.

- f. It's a City Council responsibility to warn people of the danger that exist on ANY road and it should not be left solely up to local residents to take or initiate action on behalf of the unfortunate ones who, unaware and unsuspecting drive right into this trap. If WE had made a sign it would have had stronger wording and been more specific about what the danger is.
- g. Two of the most recent incidents happened within the past couple of months on an incoming tide. One panic stricken couple from Auckland had two young children on board, one of which was in a wheel chair. It was raining and the tide was threatening to envelop their van. I've lived here for 40 years and this has been an ongoing event. GET ONTO IT, COUNCILLORS!!!
- h. PS. Opps, there was another one today – April 25th.

6. **PUBLIC AMENITIES - TOILETS:** I applaud any new toilets or toilet upgrades. In other countries every business has to have a toilet available for customers... not just food outlets. If that's not the law, then you need to have enough toilets handy that no one should have to drive to find one.
7. **PUBLIC AMENITIES – THE BUS:** The Bus is good, keep it going. I used one in my youth. Now I'm OLD and I like to drive because I want more control over my movements. My shopping & visiting are unpredictable and a schedule would be difficult – and cause much stress. I live in Monaco and I would have to drive 2 miles to a bus stop anyway.
- a. But I DO think the bus is a Regional activity and should be shared with the TDC – along with other roading issues that should be considered joint rather than both Nelson and Richmond operating their own "regional transport committees".
 - b. Is there a discounted pass for daily workers and school kids who ride the same route on a daily basis?
 - c. The Ap was a good idea. Maybe The Bus needs a Facebook page showing happy people riding the bus. Get the teens to submit photos of their friends. You could give-away a Free Ride every week for the best photo.

8. **WATER SUPPLY - WASTEWATER, STORM WATER, FLOOD PROTECTION:** I don't need to read about membrane assembly, pipelines, culverts, catchments, stream upgrades, and water bylaws. Just make it work, that's what the money is for.
- a. I don't **EVER** want to hear a person cry in front of you again, like that poor woman last year, because of storm water flowing through her yard. It was heartbreaking to listen to her beg you for help when staff had ignored her pleas for assistance.

- b. Your statement, "improving storm water and flood protection is a focus of this year's plan," (page 7) SHOULD NOT BE "A" FOCUS, IT SHOULD BE "THE" FOCUS!

9. **AIR QUALITY - WOODBURNERS:** I will not be totally happy if you lower the woodburner specs, since I already spent \$4199 plus GST replacing a very efficient, but (according to you) out-of-date, woodburner. Living on the Monaco peninsula, with its constant breeze, I requested the Council test my chimney emissions (which I offered to pay for) so they could prove to me that I was a polluter, but they wouldn't do it.
- a. But regardless, do something and get it over with. People should not have to suffer another winter because of a ridiculous, inflexible rule.
 - b. People should not have to put on extra clothes inside their homes because they can not afford to turn on the electricity, or are not allowed to light a fire.

10. **ARTS AND HERITAGE – CREMATORIUM:** Fix it, you shouldn't have to ask.

11. **ARTS AND HERITAGE – ROCKS ROAD:** Stop the emotional angst about retaining the chain and stanchion fence. It isn't all the same anyway. Perhaps the whole waterfront doesn't need it, and the entire fence doesn't have to be saved. Make it all match or save SOME of it and feature it in a special place. (But don't build a wall, make it something we can see through because we like the view)

12. **PARKS AND RECREATION – STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL:** "to provide spaces for organised sport, informal recreation and areas for people to interact."

- a. Don't forget there is value in just maintaining open spaces and relief from residential houses and buildings. A park is beneficial even if you never set foot in it. (And you don't need to waffle on in the Plan that it's creating oxygen or reducing our carbon footprint, good God, your Spin Merchant is working over time!)
 - i. Your Assets Department wanted to sell the small park at the end of Monaco because they "never saw anyone in it." That's not the point, it was a gift to the city from a local resident, and it's just nice to have. And my kids DID use it when they were smaller. (The Monaco Residents Association actually offered to do the maintenance).

- 13. PARKS AND RECREATION – MODELLERS POND:** What's this with 3 pumps pushing storm water into the pond and then making the public think the modellers are begging money to clean up their facility? YOU created the problem in the first place. Don't make the public think "a few guys and their boats" are being selfish – admit the pond is a big part of the city-wide storm water system and needs to be rectified.
- a. The Pond is much like the above (No 12)... you don't have to float a boat to enjoy it. Water is good; and the pond, besides providing a storm water reservoir, is a calming place to be.
CLEAN IT UP!
- 14. PARKS AND RECREATION – MAITAI RIVER:** We should NEVER have to think twice about swimming in any of our lakes or rivers. Your mandate: "Check it and Correct it".
- 15. PARKS AND RECREATION – BROOK SANCTUARY:** I'm not convinced the 14km fence is a good idea, but they seem to have raised their own money to build it (with \$1 million from the ratepayers). So be it.
- a. But, other sanctuary enterprises have been very costly to maintain, with far smaller areas to preserve, and far flatter terrain to enclose. And trapping has been very successful at places like Lake Rotoiti and Abel Tasman Park.
 - i. Zealandia's fence in Wellington is only 7km and cost only \$4 million to set up. Yet they estimate they will need 5.5-7% of capital costs to cover maintenance per year. This will require 13,000 families of 4 to visit every year to cover running costs. (they have recently lowered the entry fee to \$19 adult/\$9 child to try to increase their low numbers.) Can we sustain that?
 - ii. Comment on Zealandia: "People can see the same birdlife; Tui, Bellbird, Kaka, Silvereye, Fantail, Robins, etc. in their own backyards throughout Wellington/Hutt and surrounds."
 - b. I am concerned the ridge corridor/walkway carved for the fence could become an eyesore in itself.
 - c. I am VERY concerned that the digging and installation of the fence could undermine the Historic Dun Mountain Track, particularly at the section of trail between "Four Corners and the Third House".
 - i. Here the fence is just 50 metres below the track and the steep out-slope is a 50 degree gradient.
 - ii. Please don't ignore this, the land is ours and city money will have to repair any damage to his heritage track.
 - d. Watch out for these "Trusts", they are brought about by well intentioned citizens, but their bright ideas tend become city assets and another ratepayer burden.
- 16. PARKS AND RECREATION – FOUNDERS PARK:** It sounds like a good idea to have the Ecofest at Founders.
- a. The one good thing about the closure of Trafalgar Centre is that organizations have to look around at other venues and will realize we have quite a few good alternatives for many events.

17. **PARKS AND RECREATION – STOKE:** Stoke is ticking along, but I'm hoping you can keep your promise and spend some money on the Greenmeadows facility. Stoke and Tahuna seem to be overlooked in favour of the CBD, or leaping to Saxton Field.
18. **PARKS AND RECREATION – SAXTON OVAL:** How could major repairs be needed to the Oval when the rainfall was low, and the facility is so new? "Replacing the drainage system, repairing the discharge pipes and re-installing the turf" sounds like a lot of repair work. Was it not built adequately in the first place? Tell us.
19. **PARKS AND RECREATION – THE BROOK MOTOR CAMP:** This is such a mess I don't know what to say. We are missing too much information. WHY did the Council lose money when it took over the management? What could it possibly have done differently? How can you think of selling it when it was a gift to the city? There are people who think it's some conspiracy with the Sanctuary.
- a. Offer it back to the Tahuna Motorcamp on a long term lease and then forget about it!
20. **EVENTS VENUES – TRAFALGAR CENTRE:** There isn't a building in the whole country that shouldn't have a sign "Enter at your own risk". Trafalgar Centre is no more dangerous now than it was a year ago. And you want to close it without so much as a crack showing!
- a. Relocating events to Saxton Stadium is a retrograde step. Saxton facilities are for participants, not spectators... evident by the number of times I wanted to sit while standing to watch the kids play netball.
 - b. In 1971 you called it "The Heart of the City", and now you want to rip our heart out???
 - c. Note: when you use TC upgrade money (I believe \$600k) to relocate events to Saxton – remember where you got it, AND PUT IT BACK. (You're going to need that money when you come to your senses and reopen it!)
 - d. Also, it was YOU who designed Saxton not to compete with Trafalgar Centre, so TC would remain the "Jewel in the Crown".
 - e. Thanks to Mayor Reese for making those Tonkin & Taylor reports and documentation (etc.) available on your website – as she promised. I hope people will read them and put pressure on you to reopen.
 - f. If Alec Louverdis announced emphatically at the Council meeting last month that the piles "were only 3m deep" why was there not a formal apology, or correction to the minutes, or some sort of announcement/retraction in the newspaper saying they were actually 11m deep? And how did Alec make this mistake? No joking; this is important!! Was that a stated fact written someplace, or can't he read the plans?
 - i. Anyone can make a mistake. I am not suggesting heads need to roll. But for Pete's sake, admit this was a giant

oversight. And apologise publicly to Kerry Neal who has been bringing this to your attention for months!

- g. Liquefaction – no one dies because of liquefaction, and you have 5 minutes to vacate before it reaches the surface.
- h. You have other buildings you will have to deal with, and if you believe, “if you ask five engineers to do assessments those engineers are going to come up with five different answers” (Nelson Mail 23 April), it sounds like you need a panel to assess information from all quarters... not just the experts.

21. EVENTS VENUES - SCHOOL OF MUSIC: Fix it.

- a. And please explain why the planned transfer of the land and building to the Council has not occurred? What “legal issues” have caused the delays? (page 43)

22. EVENTS VENUES – THEATRE ROYAL: “...continues to experience financial difficulties despite high community use and commercial bookings”. **THIS IS A SCANDAL.** You’ve got so much money in it, now you have to fix it. But, be a man and announce that the entire Board of Directors, especially ex-Mayor Kerry Marshall and Councillor Pete Rainey, should be in jail for not getting the numbers right and blackmailing the Council into taking it on.

- a. “The initial budgets produced by the Trust have proven to be unrealistic...” (Frankly, I think they knew all along they were going to renege on the loan repayment and would have to eventually give it away. They just wanted a nicer facility and this was an easy way to get it.)
- b. Is this an example of, “it’s easier to gain forgiveness than permission”?

23. ECONOMIC – CITY CENTRE WIFI: Good idea. I know people who have to book time at library computers because of overuse by tourists. It will be good if visitors can check their email and Skype their friends elsewhere and leave the library computers for locals who don’t have a machine, or Ultra Fast Broadband at home.

- a. But, I would not expect visitors to be accessing much information on shopping and attractions in the city while here... they probably did that at their last location.
 - i. I believe it was someone from the Hotel Association who said: the average overseas tourist is in the Nelson District for 4 days and 2 ½ are spent in Abel Tasman Park. That only leaves 1 ½ days for shopping, a quick latte, and ALL our local attractions.

24. ECONOMIC – LOAN REPAYMENT: The rain event last April cost my family \$7,000 beyond our insurance coverage. And we know it put a strain on the city coffers.

- a. **THIS STATEMENT** (on page 7) **IS SCARY.** “we propose to set aside an additional \$500,000 in the Annual Plan 2014-15” ... “we will eventually start to accumulate funds for future events by year 8”. That’s not enough!

- b. Just this Easter weekend's storm brought down trees and ripped off roofs in my neighbourhood. Nelmac and others have been working overtime... again.
 - c. Our population has grown, so more people are affected with each event, and the repairs get costlier... make sure you have enough in the Disaster Recovery Fund and we won't have to worry about outstanding loans for the "want to haves".
 - d. You should not STILL be doing on-going repairs from the flood of 2011. There should have been enough money to get things back to normal quickly.
25. **ECONOMICS – CRICKET WORLD CUP:** Good luck, I hope you make as much profit as you did with the Rugby... (that was a joke!)
26. **ECONOMICS – EVENTS STRATEGY:** "provide funding to stimulate new spending by bringing visitors to Nelson for district events." (page 42).
- a. Does this actually mean "spending money to advertise in distant newspapers"? Having lost the WOW fashion show to Wellington, I don't really think anyone is going to come from the North Island to see our Masked Parade or Buskers Festival.
 - i. Most of the city events are in the summer, when the place is already filled with Cantabrians.
 - ii. I'll be interested to know what this means.
27. **ECONOMICS – SUIPs:** I don't understand this, but I know of commercial property owners who speak of the unfairness and hardship this has caused.
- a. I am intrigued with comments "this cannot be easily done" (page 8). It signals you need to ALL (Council and Staff) be locked in a room with a facilitator until there is a solution.
28. **MISC - Upper Bridge St.** – Beyond the Hospice Shop, the only good thing about Upper Bridge St is that the police know where to patrol on Friday night. Clean it up.
29. **MISC – FLOWER BASKETS:** Wonderful!!
30. **MISC – MELROSE HOUSE:** I've had High Tea at Melrose and it was lovely. It's wonderful to see the facility being used on a daily basis.
31. **MISC – FLEA MARKET:** Councillors at the Flea Market – great idea.
32. **MISC – CHURCH STREET:** It's interesting that you have removed the project to upgrade this area "for a better pedestrian connection from the Montgomery Car Park and the Performing Arts Centre next to the Rutherford Hotel" when the Performing Arts Centre was never approved.
33. **MISC – HUNTER'S FURNITURE ROOF:** Please don't replace the roof for \$200,000 and then sell the building to Farmers.

34. **MISC – CATS:** Don't listen to Gareth Morgan when he talks about a ban on domestic cats.
- a. It's a scientific fact that pets teach children to love, lower stress, and help old folks live longer.
 - b. I wouldn't mind a night-time curfew. I have had a neighbour's cat jump in open windows and start fights with my cat, on my bed!
 - c. Microchipping ALL domestic animals is a good idea.
35. **MISC – CORPORATE:** "The running of the Council organisation includes elections, finances and administration, strategic documents and Councillor support" (page 57).... And junkets to Sister Cities?
- a. Remember that trips and gifts you take are paid for by the Nelson ratepayer... and the return trips and gifts are paid for by THEIR ratepayers. (YOU HAVE NO MONEY, IT'S OURS)
36. **MISC – DEFERRED ROADING PROJECTS:** I am all for deferring roading projects until you get the right hand talking to the left.
- a. We're getting a beautiful new road in Main Rd Stoke, please don't dig it up in 6 months because you forgot something. Songer Street is now a mess of patchwork from road projects that seem to be after-thoughts.
37. **MISC – PARKING**
- a. It may look like the parking requirements have not changed for the past 8 years, but for the last 3-4 years I have not had the disposable income I used to. Superannuation is not enough to live on and my investments took a serious hit so, my trips to town are less frequent, and more about errands than shopping.
 - b. Outdoor dining may be "trendy" and look cute, and even if the Council can make up the revenue by renting the spaces to the businesses, it's unfair to take parking places without providing alternatives for cars.
 - i. How many stores might like to have outdoor space to show off more items? Why do you think only restaurants "contribute to an attractive and vibrant city"? (*Live Nelson* April 19th)
 - c. **PARKING WARDENS:** Calm them down. They ultimately work for the city and need to act as Ambassadors and not piss people off.
 - d. **FREE PARKING DAYS:** Stop the "either/or" mentality. Why not have Tuesday free for parking and Wednesday free for the bus. Ultimately the business people just want more people in town.
 - i. Having a free bus will NOT make me leave my car at home when I hope to fill my boot with heavy bags!
 - e. **LONG STAY PARKING:** It is a mystery where the shop employees in the CBD and Stoke Strawbridge Sq. park their cars. I can't imagine going outside every 3 hours to move my car – or having to walk a few blocks out of town to metre-less parking places.

- i. They deserve to have convenient parking, they are already adding to the vitality of the CBD.
- ii. You making money off their employment, takes away from their take-home salary. They should have a parking permit like Senior Citizens.

Remember – you 13 people are basically the only face of the Council, most residents do not understand the demands of the Council Staff, the influential pressure from business/sports entrepreneurs, or the un-seen power of the CEO. YOU will get the blame for EVERYTHING.

Thanks for listening

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'S' followed by a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Natascha Van Dien

From: Administration Support
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Submission - the Draft Annual Plan Nelson 2014/15.

TRANSPORT INCLUDING ROADS AND FOOTPATHS:

* Parking suggestions: Short term - free parking within the CBD between the times 10-14 to encourage people to spend time in town and prevent available parking space to be used by all-day users. Businesses in town could be asked to financially support such initiative. Parking wardens to be under NCC.

Long-term - Buy land set aside for parking outside cbd. Make inner cbd car free with the exception of people with mobility passes, drop offs/pickups and those servicing businesses. Make a ring road around the town centre for traffic to bypass town centre; make CBD a one-way network; reduce speed. This would offer more space for walkers and cyclists.

I find the inner city represent how the rest of Nelson has evolved, too many different activities/agendas in too small/narrow areas. It makes for a less enjoyable amount of time spent in town.

* Rocks Rd walk/cycle project: I welcome a change. I believe the council needs to be clear that anything shared with walkers may not be compatible. Agendas behind why one is cycling is very different. As a former long distant commuter cyclist I believe that this would be incompatible with a shared path.

STORMWATER and FLOODPROTECTION:

* Stormwater: I am pleased to see that the council is acknowledging climatic changes and I see a need for this to be addressed with sufficient funds - not just as recovery costs. House insurances have already risen astronomically since the Christchurch earthquakes.

ENVIRONMENT:

* Maitai (and Brook) waterways - I support the initiative the council are taking to address the health of our waterways by monitoring, give financial support and its work with community groups. I believe this needs to be a long-term commitment.

* Air quality: I appreciate the cleaner air in Nelson. I support a variety of heating options as there are pros and cons with all of them. However, as a Brook Valley resident I would not be able to afford to heat my house sufficiently or affordably use any other form than a woodburner. It would be far more detrimental to my health than to going for a walk midwinter when people start up their fires around 5-ish.

* Cleaner Water: Sewerage contamination present in our rivers/streams

needs to be prioritised.

SOCIAL INCLUDING ARTS AND HERITAGE:

* I am concerned of the choice to close the Brook Camp rather than the Maitai Camp. After showing the Brook accounts to an accountant whose livelihood is to work with corporate accounts, he confirmed that questionable decisions have been taken in regards to maintaining a previously modest profitable camp. I question what is behind this and that the closing of the Brook Valley Holiday Park as a camping ground.

I ask that the council initiate a public meeting, with an independent facilitator, in regards to all developments that are currently planned for the Upper Brook. These will impact on Brook Valley residents. As the council chose to gift ratepayer funds in support of these projects I believe this affects all Nelson ratepayers and needs to include all Nelson residents.

The Maitai camp is not a good solution to offer permanent Brook camp residents as it is both flood prone and offers no public transport. I am aware that there have been quite grave complaints previously addressed to the council in regards to how the Maitai Camp has been managed.

The lack of affordable housing in Nelson is of concern to me. It seems as if the option for having a set number of permanent residents both fill a need for all year income for camping grounds owners and the need for people who chooses this way of life or have no other options.

This is a national issue.

PARKS AND ACTIVE RECREATION:

* I find it disconcerting that this area is the second to largest expense. I would like to know what projects/plans the council have for conservation/landscapes and Esplanade & Foreshore reserves in Nelson that warrants these spending.

* Modeller's Pond: I believe it is too an expensive undertaking and the area should be made available to another activity that would suit the train/Naturland/the beach area. What about upgrading the pond in Queen's Garden for this activity? Both Queens Garden and Miazu Garden have ponds that receives less attention than are needed. Both look 'tired'.

* Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust Fence: I question the decision of the council's involvement to both financially support and the lease of land that will basically prevent free public access to a huge forested area in what is basically a high risk commercial enterprise. When the fence goes up I believe Nelson residents should have free access to this land (and given an opportunity to donate to the project). If visitor numbers are not met in the future - who will pick up the tab? Will the council be asked for further funds or help with other council owned services? What stance is the council taking to these questions?

Another issue is the locality of this enterprise. Are the hillsides stable enough to support this fence and other developments and is it possible to make this area pest free? Realistically will 7,000 Nelson/Tasman locals visit this area when we have the Nelson Lakes and the Pelorus, just to mention two areas at our doorsteps for free?

The Eve's Valley reserve (in Tasman) offers a rich birdlife all year around without extensive pest management and the reserve is surrounded by farmland and forestry. I suggest that this reserve have an all year around food supply for the birds which is lacking in the Upper Brook Valley.

I believe the council needs to revisit, with the public, whether this is something the council should be involved in. What other expenses to Nelson residents are the council committing to apart from the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary railway iron bridge? To support conservation in the region is needed at various levels. I question whether there are not more appropriate ways to do so.

* Walking tracks: I would like the council to support walking in a safe and enjoyable environment. Make paths/tracks safe for walkers and if this means separating tracks from mountain bikers so be it.

Examples: the Bottle Lake Reserve in Christchurch or closer to hand in Richmond where the council support walkers who are advocating for separate tracks.

The former popular walking loop Maitai - Tantragee - down the Brook Valley or up over the hills to either drop down Cleveland Tce or the walkway leading to Moorhouse Ave are more

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or less only used by a few walkers early in the morning or hardly at all. In the past this 2-3 hours walking loop attracted people of all abilities and age groups.

Since the Ita storm I have noticed a remarkable number of people/families being out for walks which I attribute to the damage of the bike tracks and lack of bikers in the area. I would like to see the Codgers area and the Andrew Farm reserve and path along the Brook Stream be secured for public use without bikers who races down the slopes. I would also like to see the Riding for Disabled able to use the tracks available for horses in a safe environment.

The cost of maintaining shared walking/mountain biking tracks is of concern to me. The state of tracks after a few years of shared use can clearly be seen in the Sharland Creek and Codgers area. Once the topsoil is gone and the track is down to bare clay walkers will stop using the tracks.

I also believe the council need to start to take into account that the Nelson population is aging. Steep up/down hill walks are not so easily done with more gradient walks needed, the council need to start support people who are not into mountain biking but would benefit of the use of our reserves.

ECONOMIC:

* Nelson Tasman Tourism: I believe that the tourism funding that is supplied on a national level from taxes and local ratepayers are a double whammy which many cannot afford. I would like to see the council revisit this. Until this is done, I expect Nelson ratepayers not to have to take over the share lost by the ceased funding from Tasman council. I hope a restructuring will reflect this to make it proportional.

CORPORATE:

* Opportunities for participation in Council decisions: Targets at least 60% satisfied or better - the council needs to aim higher. In areas such as walking in Nelson, I do not believe it is reasonable for individuals to have to join forces to address issues with the council.

There has to be a forum for individuals, not just stakeholders, to meet with the council such as town hall meetings, open discussion meetings with council etc.

* The public clearly expressed a wish for transparency during the election 2013.

* I would like to see an informed public meeting to debate any changes the council is planning for the Upper Brook Valley. This needs to be initiated by the council for all Nelson residents - with an independent facilitator.

I wish to speak to my submission.

Thank you.

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Hi Folks

I tried to send this using your online form but for various reasons, it didn't suit the circumstances and would not allow my file to be uploaded.

The form required answers which did not apply such as "Do you want to speak?" As the organisation's servant, I personally do not but we will have a spokesman present (whenever.)

As an organisation composed of people of a wide range of ages and both sexes, the optional questions at the bottom of your form are irrelevant.

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KEY ISSUES AND NEW PROJECTS

Bridge Street Enhancement

Council must be applauded for its efforts to remedy the down-at-heel mid-section of what is one of the two most important streets of the CBD after Trafalgar Street. Recently some of the larger retail properties have been redeveloped but there are too many pre-40s/50s units, long past their use-by dates, still standing.

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Stoke/Greenmeadows Community and Sports Facility

This project follows on an undertaking by Mayor Reese to the people of Stoke during the 2013 election campaign and follows the earlier proposal to construct a skate park on part of Greenmeadows, which aroused a lot of opposition from the local community.

The most important feature is the need for informed public involvement and feedback, long before the contracts are let.

Air Quality

This issue has had a very adverse effect on many Nelsonians who have been deprived of the use of economical wood-burners in the homes by the diktat of some bureaucrat in an ivory tower somewhere in Government (or maybe on some United Nations organisation think tank). Many older folk find themselves relying on the electric-powered heat-pump which they cannot afford to use.

The situation has not been aided by reliance on “computer modelling” which has been used to assist in defining where air quality may be under threat.

The situation of a family on well-ventilated Stanley Crescent who were classified by council as living in Washington Valley because of their postal delivery area, is a classic example of the need for a little common sense to be employed before families may be required to make expensive investments in new forms of heating.

Maitai River

Council has accepted the responsibility for improving the water quality which had declined during the past, relatively dry summer conditions. With the help of Mother Nature and perhaps increased flow of water from the dam, the future looks promising.

Ongoing Impact of Emergency Rainfall Events

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Possibly, the real man-made climate change, which the IPCC has not commented on, is that caused by destruction of the tropical rainforests, particularly in Indonesia, as far as New Zealand is concerned.

Observers of local weather conditions over the last half century, will have noted that during the great South Pacific current changes of El Nino and La Nina, extreme drought or wet periods occur frequently at the same time of the year.

An example of this is that we have had a second drenching this Easter, after the 2013 event.

There is little that man can do to change this but council could alleviate matters by educating the community about the need to keep water channels, spouting, sumps, etc. free from materials causing blockages.

Council, of course, must keep its house in order and pay more attention to its stormwater and stream channels. These are much more important than entertaining the public with buskers or parades, which can perfectly well be organised by community volunteer groups.

Council is to be congratulated on its proposal to augment the Disaster Relief Fund, no doubt with the assistance of the recent grant from Government in respect of the December 2011 event.

Stormwater and Flood Protection

It is pleasing to note that council has its eyes on Orphanage Creek and, particularly, Saxton Creek. Its prudence in this matter may avert unwelcome problems during the Cricket World Cup.

Delivery of Capital Programme

No comment

Property Assets Review

Council's initiative in this matter is long overdue. Previous councils have engaged in acquisition of many properties, generally under the cloak of "commercial sensitivity", but the community have been left in the dark regarding the council's objective in making the purchase.

In this connection, the acquisition of the Custom House, etc, in 2013, for the purpose of beautification of the footpath to the seafront, was rather extravagant since owners of heritage buildings face higher maintenance costs.

Events Venues

Trafalgar Centre

The closure of the Trafalgar Centre was undertaken in good faith by a keen new council which lacked the necessary experience to evaluate the highly technical reports which were placed before it. The process was not assisted by the limited information which was supplied to the consultants by the council's Manager (Infrastructure) who insisted until very recently that the building was

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supported by piles which were only three metres long.

From careful study of the reports on the council's web-site, the council was required to make its unfortunate decision on the basis of the original DRAFT report produced by Tonkin & Taylor in June 2013 and provided to the Miccio Council, which had the wisdom not take any precipitate action.

The T & T Report did include several references indicating certain issues required comment, but when the final report was published in February, several weeks after the closure action had taken place, it was obvious that no-one had taken the trouble to re-read the draft report before signing the report off.

In essence, since the peer reviewers made few dissenting comments on the T & T Report it appears that as far as they were concerned, it was money for old rope! None of the consultants queried the quantity and type of foundation piles or questioned the figure of three metres quoted by the council's manager. They seem to have accepted that he must know the right figures, when in fact, it was a case that he SHOULD HAVE KNOWN!

The Chief Executive must bear her share of the responsibility for allowing the Mayor and councillors to make their decision to close on the basis of a six month old interim report which had a “watermark” of DRAFT printed on every single page. One might have expected the council's lawyer to challenge the propriety of council's actions!

The councillors were further terrified by the legal advice which suggested that there would be dire consequences if the building was subjected to a major seismic event. The spectacle of a large number of casualties was exaggerated on grounds of public liability, disregarding the fact that for much of the year, the centre stands empty from 10.30pm – 4.00pm .

Furthermore, if an earthquake did have its epicentre on the Trafalgar Centre, the City Fathers would be faced with a far more serious scenario.

Port Nelson with its bulk fuel storage, the marina and wharves would be a battle-zone. The state highway would be totally destroyed. The Port Hills and Tahuna hillside slips of December 2011 would seem like fleabites compared with “the big one”.

The decision to spend half a million dollars on the Tahuna Modellers' Pond, would be water literally “down the drain” when the tsunami hits.....

With the Trafalgar Centre, the council has no option but to grasp the nettle and rescind their original decision of 12 December 2014, before it loses any more revenue with the building standing empty.

In conclusion, we would express our concern that the funds originally budgeted for the completion of the Trafalgar Centre upgrade, should be restored when the Centre is re-opened.

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Nelson School of Music

This important building deserves exceptional care for preservation of an outstanding historic institution which has contributed to the artistic and educational character of Nelson cultural life for

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five or six generations and owes so much to the incredible generosity of Thomas Cawthron.

Theatre Royal

This white elephant was foisted on to the city by a group of citizens in a cold-blooded manner after setting up a “Trust”, one of those community based institutions created to provide vested interests with access to the ratepayers' purses to satisfy the needs for a theatre (in this case) but with total disregard for the financial aspects of either the cost of the structure or the future running and maintenance expense.

The behaviour of the board of trustees was disgraceful in that, having applied to a sympathetic council for a loan of two million dollars to complete their dream, within the year of receiving the loan, they came back with their begging bowl for more operating funds and then reneged on the deal by declaring that they were unable to repay the loan. The latter statement was probably the first time anyone had told the truth. Certainly in other jurisdictions, the trustees would have been arraigned in a court for acquiring money by deception.

On fiscal failings, did the rumour, which circulated last winter regarding delays in ticket receipts being received by council, have any factual basis?

The Miccio council was quite irresponsible in its willingness to accept this white elephant but maybe the land the theatre is standing on will, with the neighbouring block when the army depot removes its operations to a more practical location, provide an opportunity for a major complex more suited to the CBD with a healthy mixture of quality retail premises, professional offices and city-residential units

Saxton Field

It is pleasing to read of council's intention to make a positive return on its considerable investment. We are most concerned at the additional costs incurred in the Stadium building following the Trafalgar Centre closure, when we were only just recovering from the shock of last year's April flood damage.

In addition, the apparent lack of foresight in the original development of the field and its drainage systems, needs to be explained in view of the fact that the ratepayers now face extra costs to make Saxton Oval fit for its Cricket World Cup in 2015.

Is council still employing the person responsible for supervising this development? If so, Why?

Rates – Discount for SUIPs

It is gratifying that a gross unfairness in the rating system is being rectified.

We have been aware of a number of property owners who were embarrassed by each of their tenants being obliged to pay the same fixed charge amount for shared toilet and washing facilities.

This arrangement was as inexcusably unfair to the tenants, as is the package of General Annual Charge and other fixed charges which are applied to each residential property regardless of the number of occupiers. This situation bears heavily on single occupant-owners or couples who find themselves subsidising larger families who use more of the council's services. (Longer-serving councillors must excuse this repetition of what they may regard as a cracked record!)

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Bridge Street Enhancement

See previous comment

Railway Reserve / Princes Drive Extension Overbridge

The long overdue linkage between Princes Drive and Waimea Road, Bishopdale signals great economic benefits for the community in fuel savings for the residents of the former Observatory Hill area. However, the lack of public consultation on this development so far, gives cause for concern, since it may be possible that the proposed overbridge may compromise any future Southern Link over the Railway Reserve. This would be in contadiction to the undertaking of the late council to do nothing which would affect any possible route.

Cable Bay

The Cable Bay residents have tolerated many months of poor road conditions and as the Bay and the tourism adventure enterprises are very attractive to Nelsonians and visitors alike, the completion of restoration is to be encouraged.

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Maitai shared path (Collingwood Street to Nile Street)

The expenditure in excess of \$600K for a recreational footpath used principally by dog exercisers or mountain-bikers seems rather luxurious when many footpaths in older parts of town have been allowed to decay from neglect of maintenance.

Rocks Road walk/cycle project (previously known as Rocks Road 4 metre shared path)

“Figures to date indicate that the original budget of \$5.6M will be insufficient”

This understatement is not very comforting, particularly to the transport group who are not listed among the users who should be considered by the steering group, ie the folk behind the steering wheels for whom State Highway Six principally exists!

We note that parking provision is to be included, presumably for the fishermen or the swimmers who park along the seafront at high tide.

The reference to heritage aspects is pretty hypocritical when previous councils have allowed the original chains to be replaced with three or more different types of chain material so they resemble Paddy's Grandfather's axe which had “only had five handles and two heads”.

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As they would not meet the standard for swimming pool fencing and DHB members can (and do!) tumble over them, it would be much better to replace them with something to protect the perambulating pedestrians from breaking waves on gusty days!

Todd Bush Road

No comment

Maitai Walkway connection across Trafalgar Street

Why cannot the Maitai Walkway continue under the Trafalgar Street bridge instead of expecting pedestrians to cross one of the busiest streets in the CBD?

Tasman St upgrade (Nile to Bronte)

No comment

Bishopdale to The Ridgeway shared path

No comment

The Brook area walking and cycling improvements

No comment

Sundry land purchases

The rationale for this provision is hard to understand since the budgeted amount is so small. It would surely be more practical to budget for the land purchases which is necessary to carry out a formally approved work. Ad hoc arrangements can give rise to suspicion of conflict of interest.

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Footpath renewals

It is pleasing to read that council is prepared to reinstate footpaths after Chorus has installed the UFB. In the old days, when the P & T installed fibre-optic lines on Tahunanui Drive, they left the trench bulging with earth and left the frontager to clear up the mess.!

2014/15 Projects Extended into 2015/16

No comment

Waimea Road/The Ridgeway intersection upgrade Walking Cycle School package

2014/15 Projects Deferred

No comment, except to note that the installation of lights at Motueka Street has probably reduced

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the volume of traffic using Tipahi or Kawai Street to travel via Market Road. The lack of a free left turn from Waimea Road into Motueka Street needs a quick fix. (Should be manageable with the \$150K land purchase money!)

**Waimea Road/ Market Road intersection upgrade
Waimea Road widening/ Snows Hill
Halifax Street/ Shakespeare Walk**

2014/15 Projects Removed

How sensible in both instances!

**Church Street
Halifax Street cycle lane**

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WATER SUPPLY

New Membrane Assembly

It is most pleasing to note the economy being achieved in the life of the filters.

Residential meters

It is rather worrying that the original meters should be approaching their useby dates after a relatively short lifetime. Up go the line charges again !

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Pressure reduction – General Budget

No comment

System Improvements

No comment

Maitai Pipeline

Council is exercising admirable prudence with this important part of the programme

Seismic review of the Maitai dam and storage reservoirs

Keep up the good work

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Water Bylaws

We will be interested to see and comment on the new draft bylaws

Backflow prevention

No comment

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WASTEWATER

**Ngawhatu Valley trunk main
Corder Park pump station
Pump station renewals
Beatson Road sewer renewal**

No comment on this part of the programme

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STORMWATER

**Tasman Street – Bronte Street/Nile Street/Manuka Street
Saltwater Creek/Haven Road culvert
Nile Street East**

No comment

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2014/15 Projects Deferred

No comment

**Shelbourne Street
Halifax Street**

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FLOOD PROTECTION

Tod Valley Stream

Once upon a time this valley was TODDS (like the Bush) but it seems to be disappearing like the Cheshire Cat. But seriously this is a worthwhile project.

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**York Stream catchment evaluation
Maitai River upgrade and enhancement
Brook Stream catchment strategy
Hampden Street East – Little Go Stream
Flood mitigation – various sites
Orphanage Stream upgrade
Stormwater Recovery Programme
April 2013 Heavy Rain Emergency Event
Saxton Creek upgrade**

Nelsonians who remember the 31 August 1970 event will be pleased to note the inclusion of Brook Stream in this catalogue of works.

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**2014/15 Projects Deferred
York Stream channel upgrade**

This poorer area of Nelson South deserves consideration for earlier completion of its flood protection works.

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ENVIRONMENT

Landfill road extension

Sounds like a worthwhile project

Resource management planning – Nelson Plan

No comment

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Air quality

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Refer to earlier comment

Freshwater management

No comment

Maitai River

Refer to earlier comment

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SOCIAL INCLUDING ARTS AND HERITAGE

WWI Centenary Memorial

We are glad to see council marking this significant occasion but wonder if any thought has been given to the other service memorials in Queens Garden or on Cathedral Hill / Pikimai?

Crematorium

Essential

Riverside murals

This project was obviously approved before the passage of the amended Local Government Act 2012 which indicated that local councils should prioritise spending to maintaining core infrastructure rather than “Social Wellbeing, 'Feel Good' items”. In future, ratepayers should not be required to pay for public works of “art”- there are plenty of wealthy individuals in New Zealand who could be following the example of their US counterparts in donating surplus wealth for charitable or community works.

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**Nelson School of Music
Theatre Royal
Arts projects**

See earlier comments

Events Strategy review

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The concept of an Events strategy seems more directed to creating jobs on the city payroll. The city's tourism industry should be doing any promotion, not the rate-payers.

Social wellbeing, accessibility and housing

It is gratifying that the council is considering “accessibility” at last. The Millers Acre I-site building is distinguished by its lack of a lift for wheel-chair bound visitors.

Local Alcohol policy

Drinking hours are still far too liberal even with a one-way door operating after 1.00am

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PARKS AND ACTIVE RECREATION

Modellers' Pond

What a pity it is called “the Modellers' Pond “ and not “the Tahuna Hills Stormwater Disposal Pond”. The impression is that the \$500K is for the benefit of a few 'anoraks' who like sailing model boats on Sunday afternoons, when most of the problems have been created by various experiments carried out by council employees, including filling the pond with quantities of some form of fill, six or seven years ago and more recently using the pond as an intermediate point in stormwater disposal from the Centennial avenue collection tank. We understand that the situation has been compounded by pollution of the stormwater by other domestic wastewater.

This situation is similar to the Sewerside Drive Oxidation pond which proved a headache for all concerned for many years.

It is important that councillors, who want to take the cheap option of grassing the pond over, are made aware that as far as many residents are concerned, the sight of a miniature regatta on a summer's afternoon gives great pleasure to folk of all ages, visitors and Nelsonians alike. And where would the stormwater go?

Marina Hardstand

We take this opportunity to focus on the need to ensure that the \$2000 spent on cleaning out the pipes installed at the head of the marina is not wasted. The positioning of a few large rocks by the Maitai river inlet to direct a stronger flow through the pipes will ensure the previous investment retains its value.

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Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust Fence

The involvement of the council in this venture, has been limited by the condition that the Trust must

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come to the table with its full share of the costs but can the councillors assure the citizens that when the Trust goes belly-up, that this project will NOT become another albatross around around the ratepayer's neck, like the Theatre Royal? To paraphrase Lady Bracknell, "To acquire one white elephant, Mr Miccio, is unfortunate, to be lumbered with two white elephants, Mrs Reese, is unforgiveable!"

The financial failure of Zealandia may be avoided if the Sanctuary Trust can find backing from people like The Next Trust, but from past experience we have come to doubt projects of this kind which are based on optimistic budgets evaluated by professionals like B.E.R.L who express their confidence but disclaim any responsibility when things don't pan out!

At this point, it may be appropriate to raise the issue of the future of the Brook Campground, which with the Sanctuary, is on some of the land which was originally offered to the city by the great benefactor, Thomas Cawthron, for use as a public recreation reserve in perpetuity. It was originally named after Mr Cawthron and we do not know when his name was dropped, possibly when the Brook catchment was established.

We understand that Mr Cawthron was specific that the land should not be sold or leased, but should remain a community reserve. It would seem likely that he would never imagine that a City Council would allow any part of the land to be used for indefinite permanent occupation. Over-night stays are one thing but the situation of people having exclusive use of part of the reserve for decades is totally ridiculous.

Permanent affordable housing provision may be a council responsibility but should be dealt with under the "Social Wellbeing" heading. The Mayor's reference to possible sale of the land that the council was 'not in the business of running camps' was unfortunate but then she may know of some empowering legislation obtained by an earlier council, varying the terms of the bequest.

We suggest this issue be clarified before an entrepreneur calls to set up his gondola business on the land.

Cawthron wouldn't have accepted it !

Stoke/Greenmeadows Community and Sports Facility

Refer earlier comment

Saxton Stadium

Oh, dear ! Who designed the original structure?

Conservation Reserves

Is the bridge, which is to be replaced, a former railway bridge made of iron or a bridge made of railway iron? Prove to the community why this particular bridge needs replacing. If it is merely for the benefite of pedestrian visitors to Waimarama, it should be a charge on the Trust developing the project.

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There are many road traffic bridges in the city, which need upgrading to ensure safe loading capacity..

Tahuna Back Beach

May we enquire if the council has consulted Mr David Sissons who has been studying Tahuna Beach erosion for many years ? His considerable knowledge would be of benefit to council.

We are sure that council archives will contain records of Sissons' research but with the large number of departures of senior managers, the present younger replacements will not have their experience to draw on.

Trafalgar Centre

Refer earlier comment

User Pays Study

Will this study be subject to public consultation and input?

2014/15 Projects Deferred

Stoke Youth Park

No comment

Tahunanui Reserve Management Plan implementation

No comment

Destination Playground for Rutherford Park

Where is the council going with this one? Maintenance of city footpaths would be a more beneficial way to spend \$676K !

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Tasman Heights

Has council undertaken a serious investigation into the likely usage of this route by regular walking groups, most of which consist of retired folk, like the over 50s. A helipad may be an expensive extra requirement to assist the heart attack victims.

Trafalgar Centre renewals programme Wakapuaka Sandflats environmental enhancement

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Renewals and development programmes

Reserve management plans

No comment on these items

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ECONOMIC

Cricket World Cup

Refer to earlier comment

FIFA Under 20's World Cup

Council's decision to withdraw their bid to be a host city is welcome. The benefits of staging this type of event have not been apparent to the ratepayers in recent years and the RWC did not produce the great business promised for the local accommodation industry.

Free WiFi for the City Centre

If this means that access for Nelson ratepayers to use the internet connections in the libraries will be improved, this will be a welcome development. However ,where are the tax-paying private operators who used to provide this kind of service?

Nelson Tasman Tourism

TDC is proposing to cut its funding of their I-sites, even though they are manned by volunteers whose only reward is the odd packet of biscuits for smoko. Their example raises the question: "Does the Nelson ratepayer derive any physical or financial benefit from the activities of Nelson Tasman Tourism?" What is the structure of this body and what contribution is made by the local tourist entrepreneurs to the cost of its operations?

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CORPORATE

Civic House

This building and the adjacent former State Advances building are sitting on a site which would be prime for development of a hotel. We suggest that the recent decision, to put the State Advance building on the market, should be extended to include Civic House (removing the problem of

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finding a tenant for the vacant top floor)

A hotel with the excellent outlook over the Maitai and The Wood could be the genuine attraction for big spending visitors from overseas, that local travel agents have been demanding.

In addition, the situation for Civic House could become interesting in the event of sea level rise, considering that the building stands at a lower level than the Maitai river.

The solution would be to erect a special purpose new Civic headquarters on higher ground near the Trafalgar Centre where there would be more convenient parking for citizens who have business to discuss with council staff.

Earthquake prone buildings

While this assessment is in progress, it is hoped that council's review of assets will identify the buildings which are truly surplus to requirement and arrange for their disposal, if necessary on an "As is, Where is" basis.

Bank Lane Canopy replacement

No comment

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Hunter Furniture building roof replacement

This property was recently acquired by council, Unless council can give an adequate reason why the building should remain in city ownership, this building should be disposed of "As is, Where is"(but not in a private "sweetheart deal" like the one which the previous council got itself into with Farmers).

Condition assessment of Council assets

Enough said – see above !

Delivery of Capital ProgrammesProperty Assets Review

Rating Review

Representation Review

Policy Work

No comments on these items

CONCLUSION

We urge council to arrange its affairs so as to preclude any frivolous, unnecessary litigation such as

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the fruitless pursuit of a “man of straw” (whose tally of parking fines has reached the level at which most magistrates direct that “Boy Racers” should have their fines commuted to a few hours of community service !) Does the city's Parking Bylaw really specify that only private motor vehicles can park in a street park?)

We have seen similar attempts to defend the indefensible in the cases of the Victory Square “pokies” and the Montgomery Square car-park fiasco. All this litigation proves to be a poor return for the rate-payers. If council members were obliged to contribute personally towards the fees that they incur on our behalf, they would behave more prudently.

Please advise time and date of hearing to:

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Leave Rocks road alone !! It does not need any "major" changes. There are 2 perfectly good traffic lanes, cycle lanes and footpath. There has been a lot of discussion (mainly from the few cyclists) about the safety of the road, however if you look at the statistic relating to accidents, there are probably no more accidents on this stretch of road than any other. In the last 5 years there have only been 7 cycling accidents, and only 3 of these involving logging trucks. (which appear to be of major concern)

A simple solution may be to reduce the speed limit to say 30k. It would only take an extra 2 minutes to get from Russel st to Tahunanui, but of course this would not suit Nelson's impatient drivers who always seem to be going to a fire!!!

As I have submitted before, make the "railway reserve" one way into the city. This way there would not be the same exhaust pollution as vehicles would be "coasting" downhill and not burning excess fuel. An off ramp at Vanguard st would split the build up which may occur at Saltwater creek.

It may be possible to make Waimea road one way out of the City. This would split the traffic to the Ridgeway, Main Rd Stoke and Wakatu drive.

Fill in the Moddlers pond !!!! It wont be missed especially by the Model yacht people as they wouldn't use it anyway as there are too many sheltering trees which muck up the wind pattern. It would not cost that much to fill in. Make it available to contractors to dump solid fill, and it would fill up in no time, and I am sure that one of them would level it at no cost. (not having to pay to dump like they do now) Then you could use the allocated funds to clean out the Queens Garden pond.

Look at cancelling the contract for the Trafalgar st Akersten st path. This is a ridiculous waste of money which could be put towards much better projects such as "Museum" storage.

Stop mucking around with the Trafalgar Centre--- just get on with re opening it.

Colin Ratcliffe

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To whom it may concern at Nelson City Council.

Please find attached a submission from the Nelson Province of Federated Farmers on the 2014/15 Annual Plan.

Please acknowledge this message so that I know our submission has been received.

Kind regards

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SUBMISSION TO NELSON CITY COUNCIL ON THE DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2014/15

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Nelson province of Federated Farmers welcomes the opportunity to submit on the Nelson City Council Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015 (the Annual Plan), and appreciates the opportunity provided by the Annual Plan process to participate in the development and growth of the Nelson community.
- 1.2. Federated Farmers of New Zealand is a primary sector organisation that represents farming and other rural businesses. This submission is made on behalf of members and has been developed in partnership with elected member representatives.
- 1.3. The Federation aims to add value to its members' farming business. Our key strategic outcomes include the need for New Zealand to provide an economic and social environment within which:
 - 1.3.1. Our members may operate their business in a fair and flexible commercial environment;
 - 1.3.2. Our members' families and their staff have access to services essential to the needs of the rural community; and
 - 1.3.3. Our members adopt responsible management and environmental practices.

2. RATES INCREASES, LAND VALUE, AND SERVICES RECIEVED

- 2.1. While Federated Farmers acknowledges that the proposed overall rates increase of 3.7% is a significant improvement on the increase proposed in the 2012/2022 Long Term Plan, we remain opposed to any further increase in rates ahead of the rate of inflation. The reduction in the rural differential means that rates paid by farms are already very high and further increases, particularly in advance of the rate of inflation are unwelcome.
- 2.2. Farm properties have a high land value relative to economic intensity or future development potential, and can therefore be severely affected by changes to rates increases with rates potentially making up a substantial portion of farm running costs.
- 2.3. Farms in the rural areas of Nelson are unique in that they are very close to the city and provide important community services as a unique 'rural backdrop' to the city, and in terms of enhanced food security as a buffer in the event of future disruptions to the food system upon which all people in Nelson are dependent.
- 2.4. Coastal farmers are particularly vulnerable to negative outcomes following changes in rating policy because they have intrinsically high land values, but physical and (more recently) legislative limitations on potential future use. The gazetting of the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement (2010) has introduced various management requirements for indigenous biodiversity, natural character, landscapes, and heritage that significantly constrain virtually all further development of most coastal hill country farms in the Nelson area. The Federation acknowledges the need to

protect the coastal environment from inappropriate development, but also asks the Council to recognise the enormous intrinsic value of coastal areas (including areas on private land) to the people of Nelson, and the limited opportunity to gain an economic return on these high value properties, in evaluating desired rating outcomes.

Recommendations

- 2.5. **Exercise prudent spending to keep proposed increases in rates collected at or below the rate of inflation.**
- 2.6. **In evaluating desired rating outcomes and means to achieve them, have regard to limitations on future use, and the intrinsic values of farming properties, particularly on the coast, to the people of Nelson.**

3. RATING POLICY REVIEW

- 3.1. The Annual Plan includes provision for a review of rating policy. Federated Farmers sees the rating policy review as an opportunity to enable the Council to achieve a better rating system, and address concerns about very high rates. Changes to rating policy that should be considered include:
 - 3.1.1. An adjustment to the rural differential;
 - 3.1.2. Increased use of uniform charges and targeted rates;
 - 3.1.3. A targeted rate for road related services to reflect individual benefits;
 - 3.1.4. A shift from land value to capital value as a means of setting property value-based rates

The rural differential

- 3.2. The simplest and most direct way to respond to problems with very high rates paid by farmers is to adjust the rural rating differential to a level that better reflects benefit received. For example Invercargill City Council, a Council with a similar balance or rural to urban land as Nelson has a rural differential of -70. Nelson farmers on the other hand are subject to a much less favourable rural differential, which causes a high level of vulnerability to changes in land value or overall rates increases.

Increased use of uniform charges and targeted rates set on a uniform basis

- 3.3. Federated Farmers is of the view that increased use of uniform charges will resolve much of the difficulty in funding the community-based services that the Council seeks to provide.
- 3.4. Uniform charges are often used to rate for services that accrue more to individuals than properties (and in turn the value of property). Examples of services that have a significant proportion of individual benefit include governance, parks and reserves, community facilities, cemeteries, district planning, environmental health, solid waste/landfill, and a portion of roading (to reflect the community benefit of roads).
- 3.5. The uniform annual general charge and targeted rates set on a uniform basis (uniform charges) currently make up approximately 19% of total rates revenue, well

short of the 30% limit set down by the Local Government Act. Funding an excessive portion of services through property-based rates essentially results in a rating outcome that does not reflect linkages between costs and benefits received.

- 3.6. The Federation also sees that predominantly urban councils may experience a relatively higher demand for services that accrue more to the individual, associated with a higher population density. For example the Annual Plan includes projects to strengthen the Trafalgar Centre, Nelson School of Music, and Theatre Royal , upgrade Saxton Field, enhance the Maitai River, and construct a Community and Sports Facility in Stoke. These activities all have a benefit that accrues primarily to the individual and it is appropriate to consider whether they should be funded through uniform charges, and avoid an excessive burden on property value-based rates.

A district-wide targeted rate for roads, footpaths and streetlights

- 3.7. Federated Farmers understands that there is an individual aspect to the benefits of road-related services, particularly in relation to enhancements such as streetlights, footpaths, cycling improvements, and roadside amenity plantings, which make up a substantial portion of new projects in the Annual Plan. Furthermore, sustainable methods of funding of road-related services appears to be an issue for the Council, with on-going drawdowns of reserves and use of debt to maintain or enhance the level of service associated with roads. In view of difficulties with funding through general rates, and the individual nature of much of the benefit of road-related services, Federated Farmers recommends that the Council consult on a district wide targeted rate for 'roads, streetlights, and footpaths and street enhancement' to reflect the community-good nature of many of the services that the Council seeks to provide.

Shift to capital value rating

- 3.8. Federated Farmers consistently advocates for capital value in preference to land value as a basis for setting property-based rates. The Federation prefers capital value because it will spread the rates burden more equitably across rateable properties, and mitigate distortions cause by increases in land value or changes to rating differentials.
- 3.9. The key advantage of capital value rating is that it better aligns rates with services received, for example land with a four bedroom dwelling can be expected to generate substantially more use of Council services than a block of bare land. Similarly an irrigated dairy farm will result in more frequent traffic movements than a hill country sheep and beef farm of equivalent land value.
- 3.10. Federated Farmers sees a shift to capital value rating as an ethical and sensible choice that provides substantial advantages, including a better relationship between rates and services received and a reduced burden on extensive rural properties where land value makes up a substantial portion of total value of the property.

Recommendations

3.11. As part of the review of rates policy consider and consult on the following changes to the rating system:

- 3.11.1. **In response to very high rates paid by rural properties increase the rural differential from -35 to a more appropriate level (-70 in the absence of other changes to rating policy that address our concerns).**
- 3.11.2. **Increase the proportion of all rates collected from uniform annual general charges and district wide targeted rates from 19% to 30% of all rates collected.**
- 3.11.3. **Strike a district-wide targeted rate to support 20% of the cost of roads, streetlights and footpaths to recognise the benefit of these services to individuals.**
- 3.11.4. **A shift to capital value as a basis for property value based rates.**

4. USE OF DEBT

- 4.1. The Annual Plan includes a proposed increase in debt of \$7,799,000. While this is a lesser increase than the Long Term Plan, it is still part of on-going year by year increases in debt that is of some concern.
- 4.2. Excessive reliance on debt is unjust because it unduly hinders councils in managing future uncertainty and supplying adequate services to future generations. To put it another way, too much debt results in intergenerational inequity. This is where the current generation benefits from the use of debt to pay for a level of service they could not otherwise afford, with debts needing to be repaid by future generations of ratepayers.
- 4.3. Unlike a householder, the Council cannot trade down to a smaller house if in financial difficulty. Instead, ratepayers will have to cope with the cost of debt, whatever it may be and whatever their ability to repay and regardless of economic problems or demographic pressures that impact on the region in coming decades; which leads to our key concern with unsustainable debt levels. Future generations do not have a say in decisions made today by the Council, even if the use of debt is such that there is no certainty that they will be able to service it.

Recommendations

- 4.1 Do not take on further debt unless it can be directly linked to a targeted rate to meet a specific need such as improved sewage treatment, water supply, flood control or similar core service.**

5. PROPOSED WAIMEA DAM

- 5.1. Tasman District Council is undertaking a variety of projects to support the Waimea Water Management and Augmentation (Lee Dam) Project. Federated Farmers supports this project due to the various economic and social benefits that it will provide across both the Nelson and Tasman regions. Not only will farms be able to increase production, change land use, and achieve improved resilience in dry years; the wider community will benefit from improved reliability of water supply, increased

food security, and secondary economic and social benefits associated with a more prosperous rural and urban economy.

5.2. The economic study of the Opuha Dam Study¹ found that:

For the entire economy of the study area, including Timaru District and Fairlie Basin, each thousand hectares of irrigation adds \$7.7 million in output, 30 FTEs, \$2.5 million in value added, \$1.2 million in household income.

A substantial proportion of these benefits (approximately 40%) were enjoyed in Timaru, even though this town is located some distance from the farms that were actually irrigated.

5.3. While we recognise that the economic information would be different for the Waimea Dam, it must also be considered that Nelson relies on Tasman District to provide further urban growth, which is in turn dependent on the Waimea Dam. Without this growth, there is no prospect that younger generations of Nelsonians will be able to access affordable housing or that the social and economic fabric of the region will be sustained.

5.4. As a further point, the proposed seismic review of the Maitai Dam and storage reservoirs highlights the vulnerability of the Nelson City water supply to adverse events, which in turn emphasizes a further benefit of the proposed Waimea Dam; enhanced water security for the entire greater Nelson Area.

Recommendation

5.5. That Nelson City Council provide funding support for the Waimea Water Management and Augmentation Project, recognising the substantial community benefits from:

- **Increased utilisation of services in nearby urban centres;**
- **Provision for continued urban growth;**
- **Improved food security;**
- **Improved security of water supply.**

6. TRANSPARENCY

6.1. Federated Farmers appreciates the provision of the rates database, which enables ready access to property information related to rates, and includes valuable information on rating history, but see that this service could be used to much better effect. For example we can know that various activities are funded through the general rate, but can only infer the mixture of funding across different types of services, or what individual ratepayers are paying for each type or category of service.

¹ The Opuha Dam: An ex post study of its impacts on the provincial economy and community. August 2006. Appended. Also available online: https://www.google.co.nz/#hl=en&output=search&scient=psy-ab&q=opuha+dam+study&oi=opuha+dam+study&gs_l=hp.3...2786.6849.0.7187.17.14.0.0.0.1.614.3603.2-711j0j3.11.0...0.0...1c.1.7.psy-b.03GQryMNMzww&pbx=1&bav=on.2.or.r_qf.&bvm=bv.44158598.d.cGF&fp=8ca9661cd8c89ebc&biw=1024&bih=597

- 6.2. To enhance transparency and to increase use of the service, it might be helpful to provide reference to the rates database and the ways in which the public can access it on rates demands.

Recommendations

- 6.3. **Council provide a breakdown of contributions to various activity areas and services, in particular funding of 'transport' on the rates database.**
- 6.4. **Council include reference to the rates database information, including the ways in which people can access it in future rates demands.**

7. COMMUNITY FACILITIES

- 7.1. The Annual Plan includes a number of projects that relate to establishment or upgrading of community facilities.
- 7.2. While Federated Farmers is always vigilant about costs and ensuring proposed services or community-owned facilities are affordable and appropriate, it is important to recognise the benefits of community facilities.
- 7.3. The Federation takes an overall view that community facilities should be supported by district-wide targeted rates, reflecting the individual, rather than property related, nature of the service. If community facilities cannot be funded in this way, questions need to be asked as to the affordability or appropriateness of those facilities.

The Trafalgar Centre

- 7.4. The Trafalgar Centre has been identified as an earthquake-prone building and requires very costly remedial works to be able to continue to perform its intended function. Federated Farmers has concerns about the value of these works in light of the small size of the region, the provision of multiple ratepayer funded facilities which provide similar services, and available alternatives such as upgrading Saxton Field.

The Nelson School of Music and the Theatre Royal

- 7.5. The Nelson School of Music and the Theatre Royal are iconic heritage buildings that now require a substantial input of funds to be made earthquake safe. It is critical that the costly process of bringing these buildings up to modern earthquake standards is carefully controlled to prevent cost over-runs and ensure that a useful and fit-for-purpose asset results from the process.

Saxton Field

- 7.6. Federated Farmers supports the review of governance, management, and marketing of Saxton Field because this will support more efficient and productive use of this important community asset. Federated Farmers also supports investing in further development of the Saxton Field facilities as providing a better return for community resources than the very costly upgrading of the Trafalgar Centre.

Stoke/Green Meadows Community Support Facility

7.7. Federated Farmers questions the affordability of this project at a time when two other community sports facilities, and various other facilities, also require re-construction or upgrading. It would be less risky in terms of capital invested and risks of cost over-runs if the proposed Stoke/Green Meadows Community Support Facility were deferred until other major projects have been undertaken, potentially with land set aside for the time being. As well as reducing risk, the deferral of this project (assuming it is required at a later time) would be more likely to address community needs as it would be able to respond to further needs assessment once other community projects are in place.

Crematorium

7.8. The Annual Plan includes an allocation of \$85,000 towards relining one of the cremators. The view of Federated Farmers is that the crematorium should be able to fund this expense internally, and if it cannot, then it should be sold or sold in part so as to realize the efficiencies inherent in a commercially run operation. In any case the Federation opposes ratepayer subsidisation of an enterprise that ought to be able to stand on its own feet, or that is in competition with existing or potential businesses.

Recommendations:

- 7.9. Proceed with various projects that relate to the establishment or upgrading of community facilities only if it can be demonstrated that the level of service is both sufficient to meet the communities needs and affordable.**
- 7.10. Fund upgrades or renewals of community facilities through appropriate district-wide targeted rates, or if this is unaffordable, defer these projects.**
- 7.11. Investigate alternative uses for the Trafalgar Centre that do not require a very costly remediation to 67% of Building Act standards.**
- 7.12. Proceed with the strengthening of the Nelson School of Music and Theatre Royal, only if governance oversight is in place to prevent cost over-runs and to ensure that the resulting structures are fit for purpose and represent value for the required ratepayer investment.**
- 7.13. Proceed with a review of the governance, management, and marketing of Saxton Field as proposed. Investigate the upgrading of Saxton Field as an alternative option to remediation of the Trafalgar Centre to 67% of Building Act standards.**
- 7.14. Defer the proposed Stoke/Green Meadows Community Support Facility, and only proceed with it subject to a further needs assessment once other community projects have been completed.**
- 7.15. Consider the sale or sale in part of the crematorium.**

8. FLOODWATER AND STORMWATER

- 8.1. Federated Farmers welcomes a renewed focus on flood management and land drainage in the Annual Plan because flooding can have very serious consequences for the safety and sustainability of communities and farming businesses.
- 8.2. Federated Farmers is aware that subdivision and development can result an increased rate and quantity of runoff after rainfall events. For example the proposed Todd Valley Walkway is likely to result in reduced infiltration, increased runoff, and potentially a higher risk of flooding in the downstream catchment.
- 8.3. Federated Farmers supports the decision to defer environmental enhancement at the Wakapuaka Sandflats. While the intent of this work to restore or enhance ecological and recreational values is laudable, the Federation is very concerned about effects on occupants of nearby land, including through:
- Detention of water and flooding in the No1 and 2 drains (Hillwood Stream) and the surrounding farmland.
 - Flooding of the Todd Valley Stream upstream of the culvert at SH 6.
 - Flooding of properties on the eastern side of SH 6.
- 8.4. We see ecological enhancement work as a lesser priority than the replacement of the tidal control gates and culverts which have been found unable to cope with the rate and volume of stormwater runoff that now occurs following subdivision and development within the catchment in recent years, resulting in severe flooding of low lying areas following heavy rain.

Recommendations

- 8.5. **Defer the environmental enhancement at Wakapuaka Sandflats until it can be ensured impacts on occupants of nearby land are prevented or compensated.**
- 8.6. **Allocate funding to replacement of the tidal control gates and culverts at Wakapuaka Flats.**
- 8.7. **As part of the review of rating policy consider a development contributions policy to ensure funding is set aside to address the adverse effects (enhanced flooding hazard) of subdivision, use and development.**

9. PROPERTY ASSETS REVIEW

- 9.1. Federated Farmers supports the review of property assets to inform decision-making on future land use and increased oversight of these assets.

Recommendation

- 9.2. **Undertake a review of property assets as proposed.**

10. MAITAI RIVER ENHANCEMENT

- 10.1. Federated Farmers agrees that the Maitai River is a significant and highly valued natural feature, and supports the setting aside of \$400,000 to take immediate steps to restore natural values and function of the river. This important project not only improves the natural values and function of the Maitai River, but also contributes to the improvement of water quality in Tasman Bay.

Recommendation

- 10.2. **Proceed with the restoration of the natural values and function of the Maitai River as proposed.**

11. BRIDGE STREET ENHANCEMENT

- 11.1. Federated Farmers supports the investment of \$200,000 in the enhancement of bridge street, because we agree that *Good quality public spaces are important in achieving a vibrant CBD that provides public amenity and safety.*

Recommendation

- 11.2. **Proceed with the enhancement of Bridge Street as proposed.**

12. CABLE BAY

- 12.1. Federated Farmers notes the \$2,494,000 proposed to be spent on reconstruction and recovery works in the vicinity of Cable Bay. These works are essential for continued public access, and residential and farming activities in and around this area.

Recommendation

- 12.2. **Proceed with reconstruction and recovery works in the vicinity of Cable Bay as proposed.**

13. TOURISM

- 13.1. The Annual Plan includes substantial support for tourism. As the Council is aware, Tasman District Council proposes to cease funding tourism at the end of 2014/2015.
- 13.2. Federated Farmers submits that there are more efficient and effective ways to support tourism than through a direct subsidy of the industry. This can be achieved through sound environmental governance to maintain the quality of regional resources that attract tourists or through projects such as the upgrading of Saxton Field, renewal of the Nelson School of Music and Theatre Royal, construction and maintenance of roads or cycle trails, or general environmental enhancements to the city, all of which have a direct impact on visitor appeal and also substantially enhance the social wellbeing of residents who actually pay for these services.

13.3. We also seek to emphasize that Federated Farmers made the decision some years ago to move to a voluntary member based funding structure – and that the organisation, while perhaps less wealthy than equivalent levy funded organisations, is now better connected to the communities we serve and work alongside as a result. Members support Federated Farmers because of the high quality of services provided and the enhanced business resilience gained as a consequence of those services. The Federation sees no reason why the Council cannot work with the Tourism industry to assist the transition to a member funded structure.

Recommendation:

13.4. Cap and reduce Tourism services funding as is also proposed in Tasman District's 2014/2015 Annual Plan.

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Dear NCC,
I have attached a short submission for the draft annual plan.
Thank you!

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I do not wish to be heard.

Dear NCC,
I would like to submit on the upcoming assessment of the annual plan on two areas.

GM releases

I would like to see that council prohibit GE/GM releases and make GE/GM field trials discretionary activities.

It is in Nelson district's interests to rule on GM releases because **since the Royal Commission of Inquiry into GM 2001** recommended that '...districts be allowed to exclude GM crops where their presence would be a significant threat...' communities have been asking for GE Free zones.

Local Government NZ recognise the unacceptable longterm risks and costs of GMOs, as do independent scientists monitoring current failures in the regulation of GMOs.

In a recent case taken to the Environment Court it was decided that councils can include precaution around GMOs in their policy.

For the following reasons I would like to see prohibition of this unnecessary technology:

1. The Government does not intend to close the loopholes that leave councils and communities liable for any costs arising from releases approved by the national regulator. Therefore the liability for cleaning up damage arising from a nationally approved GM release could fall on councils and ratepayers.
2. Key export markets are sensitive to even trace levels of GM content in food products (ie China, Russia and parts of Europe) and should local production suffer GM contamination, serious costs would fall on growers and food processors.
3. If a GMO proves to be an invasive species and becomes a serious weed, then councils and more importantly ratepayers may end up paying the costs for control programmes or eradication.
4. Local Government NZ recognise the unacceptable longterm risks and costs of GMOs, as do independent scientists monitoring current failures in the regulation of GMOs.
5. Government aims to delete key environmental sections from the RMA (including s6 &7) removing councils' ability to create an additional tier of local protection by ruling on outdoor GM activities.
6. The brand benefits available from a region's GM Free food producer status is an opportunity for the regions primary producers.

We ask that council preserve our GE Free status and Nelsons district's strategic options into the future and write to Environment Minister Amy Adams opposing any law change that strips the ability of councils to set additional protections and submit against the proposed changes to the RMA when a bill comes before Parliament. Local Government New Zealand should represent local authority interests on this matter in any submissions to Parliament.

Great Taste Trail and regional Cycle network

I would also like to ask that the council continues to support the funding for the Great Taste cycle trail in 2014/15 district plan as well as continuing the fantastic work building cycle trails around the area to support sustainable and low impact transport into the future, and only a very small portion of the cost of roading in the region and a far better system of city transport for all residents. The more council support this (and other sustainable forms of transport ie busses and car sharing schemes) the more we will see it increasing in the future with rising fuel prices and increased health risks. It is a great community and regional asset and has huge potential once complete, in tourism, health and commuting benefits which we are already seeing.

This is for the following reasons:

The South Island is set to become one of the off-road cycling capitals of the world. The full TGTT is a loop track (no car needed) that will set Nelson in a pole position within the trail cycling community, as well as support one of the District's most popular forms of physical activity. Research on other cycle trails shows that there is considerable potential economic and health benefit to the Nelson Region from a completed TGTT (and we have better weather than them!). For example:

1. Hauraki, Mountains to Sea, Motu and Queenstown Trails research (2013) showed an average daily regional spend \$242 per person giving \$2.5m for every 10,000 users and 34% of businesses reported that the cycle trail attracted more off-peak visitors.
2. A survey of Otago Rail Trail (ORT) users (2011) revealed that over 12,000 people rode the whole ORT and 24,000 rode the most popular sections. The ORT brought \$12.2m into the local economy in 2011. Also, cyclists are riding the trail but in addition are staying on and spending time in the Otago region.

NZ Cycle Trail money, grants, donations and volunteer activity have all been given with the expectation that the TGTT will be a community resource. 2 million in funding is still needed and the best chance of success to attract significant external funding is for NCC, and other

local contributors, to match monies from external sources and thus demonstrate a partnership approach.

The GTT is an important community asset for which the NCC should provide funding in 2014/15. To fully capitalise on the opportunities of Great Taste Trail, the remaining 67km must be encouraged to be built to a suitable standard. The region won't fully capitalise on the tourism and community opportunities of the TGTT until it is complete.

Even though incomplete, the Trail is already attracting high numbers of cyclists:

- In 2013, the Mapua Ferry (which operates between Rabbit Island Mapua) carried 25,516 passengers – of which at least 16,117 were cyclists.
- Trail counters at Waimea Inlet recorded 20,490 cyclists from December 2013 to March 2014.
- Early results of a survey to evaluate the Trail's social and economic impacts show that virtually all users are satisfied with their experience, ride sections regularly and can't wait to see the loop completed.

Voting associated with the recent article in the Nelson Mail highlighting potential maintenance costs of the Trail, showed 66% voting *"Yes - It's an asset to the region and worth every penny"*

Thank you for voting so wonderfully positively on the TPPA resolution and I highly respect your decision. Thank you for listening to the voices of the community.

Yours sincerely,

Amme Hiser

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A submission on the draft Annual Plan 2014/15 is attached. Please contact me if you would like to discuss or clarify any of the points raised in the submission.

Regards

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28 April 2014

Draft Annual Plan
Nelson City Council
PO Box 645
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Dear Sir or Madam

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15

The Department of Conservation (the Department) thanks the Council for the opportunity to submit on the Draft Annual Plan.

The Department administers, on behalf of the public of New Zealand, approximately 14 per cent of the total land area of Nelson City. Areas administered by the Department include Mt Richmond Forest Park, the Boulder Bank Scenic Reserve, Cable Bay Recreation Reserve and Albion Square Historic Reserve. These areas have significant natural and/or cultural heritage values; are used (and valued) for a range of recreational activities; and are important elements of Nelson's landscape.

In managing these areas the Department appreciates the positive and constructive relationship it has with Nelson City Council. The Department also welcomes Council's ongoing support for, and commitment to, the Nelson Biodiversity Strategy and associated Biodiversity Forum. The Department is keen to maintain and strengthen its relationship with Council, and to explore further opportunities for collaboration that deliver better conservation and recreation outcomes.

Specific comments on the Draft Annual Plan are appended to this letter.

The Department does not wish to be heard. However, if you wish to discuss any of the submission points, prior to any hearing, please contact Lionel Solly in the first instance on 546 3162 or lsolly@doc.govt.nz.

Yours faithfully

Martin Rodd
Conservation Partnerships Manager, Nelson
Pursuant to delegated authority

Encl.

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Local Government Act 2002

To: Nelson City Council
Submission on: Draft Annual Plan 2014/15
Name: Lewis Vernon Sanson
Director-General, Department of Conservation

Statement of Submission by the Director-General of Conservation.

Pursuant to section 83(1) of the Local Government Act 2002, I, Martin Rodd, Conservation Partnerships Manager, acting upon delegation from the Director-General of Conservation, make the following submissions in respect of the above.

Key Issues and New Projects

Maitai River

The Department supports Council's proposal to provide funding for projects to improve the health of the Maitai River. The Nelson Biodiversity Strategy (recently reviewed by the Nelson Biodiversity Forum and adopted by Council) identifies "*Pursuing ecological restoration of the Maitai River and its riparian margins*" as one of the four highest priorities for action over the next three years. The Department commends Council on taking the initiative to progress this work in 2014/15.

In March of this year Departmental staff took part in a technical workshop, organised by NCC, to help identify issues affecting the Maitai's water quality and ecological health, and measures that can be adopted to address those issues. The Department hopes that some of these measures will be adopted in the work plan for the coming year. Looking beyond 2014/15, the Department is keen to explore opportunities to work with Council and other stakeholders to expand on the initial programme of work; and to identify other areas where greater collaboration (including joint or complementary initiatives) will achieve better conservation outcomes on the ground and/or deliver programmes more efficiently.

Flood Protection

Maitai River upgrade and enhancement

See comments on Maitai River, above.

Brook Stream catchment strategy

The Department welcomes Council's commitment to undertake this (deferred) project in 2014/15. It is hoped that this project will (inter alia) identify measures that can be implemented to improve habitat and fish passage in the channelized section of Brook Stream.

Orphanage Stream upgrade and Saxton Creek upgrade

The Department acknowledges that these projects are primarily to increase the flood capacity of these waterways, but asks that the works be planned and carried out so as to

Statement of Submission by the Director-General of Conservation

protect (and, where appropriate, enhance) riparian habitats, habitats for native freshwater fish, and fish passage.

Environment

Resource management planning – Nelson Plan

The Department notes Council's intention to undertake a combined review of the Nelson Regional Policy Statement and Resource Management Plan. In undertaking this review, Council should ensure that the new Nelson Plan gives effect to the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2010. The combined Plan should also incorporate the provisions relating to Significant Natural Areas (SNAs) that have already been developed in collaboration with the SNA Working Group¹.

Freshwater management

The Department supports the non-regulatory measures identified in this section of the draft Annual Plan. The Department has interests in these matters also; e.g. we undertake conservation education and advocacy activities, both on and off public conservation land. The Department would welcome the opportunity to work with Council to identify areas where greater collaboration (including joint or complementary initiatives) will deliver programmes more efficiently and/or achieve better conservation outcomes on the ground.

Maitai River

See comments above.

Parks and Active Recreation

Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust Fence Plan

The Department supports Council's allocation of funds for the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Fence. Large catchment based predator fenced sanctuaries on mainland New Zealand have an important role in the protection and restoration of threatened indigenous ecosystems; and the Brook Sanctuary would be the largest fenced sanctuary in the South Island. It is an excellent example of an independent community project, with strong community involvement and support, that will contribute to protecting and enhancing our natural heritage. It will also provide an accessible and inspiring wildlife experience, where people can enjoy and learn more about our environment, and be inspired to get involved in protecting it. The sanctuary will have significant value in engendering further understanding and commitment to environmental restoration in the wider community, and awareness of how such work contributes to overall community wellbeing and prosperity.

Wakapuaka Sandflats environmental enhancement

The Department notes Council's intention to defer this project and to reconsider it in the Long Term Plan 2015-25. The Department supports continued provision for this work, which aligns with Action #3 in the Coastal and Marine Environment section of the Nelson Biodiversity Strategy².

¹ The working group was established to review plan provisions related to significant natural areas and to recommend amendments to the Plan. The SNA working group included Councillors, landowners, Department of Conservation, Forest and Bird, Forestry and Iwi representatives.

² *Protect and restore the natural communities of the Nelson Boulder Bank and the publicly owned portions of the Wakapuaka sand flats both in the sea and on the land.*

Council is encouraged to consider whether development of a more accurate flood model can be combined with design work for the upgrade of the Tod Valley Stream culvert at the State Highway (ref. page 28 of the draft Annual Plan).

I do not wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Dated at Nelson this 28th day of April 2014



Martin Rodd
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Do you wish to speak at the hearing

Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

Yes

Your submission

In the NCC support of Transport Zero-Fare routes and times similar to the Invercargill experiment.
In the NCC support of Water Supply- Make clear rules about use of greywater for household irrigation.

In the NCC support of Stormwater: Make clear rules about Commercial, residential and industrial roofing to lead to rain storage helping flood control and even irrigation.

In the NCC support of Economics: Study the value of land in the Port that is now occupied by logs to weigh against the capital asset of a set of barges to bring the logs to ships in the Port, as needed. This investment could reduce heavy traffic on Lower Queen Street and Rocks Road, while, most significantly, returning land to a higher use near the Port for industrial development such as the Fish Oil plant that chose Richmond instead of Nelson.

In the NCC support of Economics: Make clear statements to central government that biogas digesters should be regulated and promoted, to provide a sustainable source of energy and fertilizer from household wastes.

Would you like to attach a document in support of your submission?

Optional demographic information

Your age

40 - 64

Your gender

Male

Have you made a submission before?

Yes

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Yes

Would an evening hearing suit you better?

No

Your submission

The council should limit rate rises to inflation. The proposal to increase rates by more than twice the rate of inflation is offensive. Only if services to ratepayers are increasing or improving should rate increases be required. In the meantime efficiency gains and cuts to non-core operations like the sanctuary should be made. While residents are required to make do with little or no wage increases the council should reflect the budget constraints of its citizens. To suggest rates rise by PPI+ 2% each year ensures ongoing rises faster than inflation and builds in inefficiency.

The Brook motor camp should remain open as it provides much needed low cost housing where there is none else available in the city. This is far closer to core operations than running a sanctuary - which will in fact cost ratepayers more per year than the artificially inflated losses of the camp in the last year. The cost of re-housing these people will be far greater, both financial and social, than any losses through mismanagement of the campsite.

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Have you made a submission before?

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Subject: Re Annual Plan Submissions

Please find below Annual Plan Submissions

1. **Multi tenant charges:** should be dropped. They penalise the smaller tenant who are often paying less than market rental to keep them in business – national tenants benefit from National advertising and promotion. The assessment of tenant nor are inaccurate and can be got around with a single head lease. The commercial differentials should also be reduced to reflect current economic conditions.
2. **Live Nelson** should be scrapped as it uses up the rates paid by around 200 properties. Other councils send important information out with the rates and have to advertise in the paper certain information by law anyway. Worthwhile information will be taken up by the daily and weekly newspapers, and radio.
3. **The Brook camp** should remain open and all camps should be promoted to increase the overall demand. It should be leased out. It use to make a profit when run by the Tahunanui Beach Camp – the \$175,000 loss is a joke, this leads to another perennial issue that of the
4. **Funding for Nelson Tasman Tourism** which I believe has been too comfortable having a guaranteed income from hardworking ratepayers I believe a review of their operation is necessary
5. **The Trafalgar Centre** – the appalling situation of the Council staff not providing the correct information to the engineers, and essential part of any assessment. I am also appalled that the engineers didn't demand the original plans specifications before assessing any of the Councils buildings, and they should be assessed on an appropriate computer program such as 'Etabs" and then put back into use as soon as possible.
6. **Brook Sanctuary** – concerned at what is happening with this. What in theory is a desirable project but in practice not so and could haunt the ratepayer in the future – better to have a clear track around the perimeter rather than a fence, could be used for tours as well as to access bait stations to control pests. I am also concerned with the amount of money spent with administration rather than actual work on this project.
7. **Log Burners** – At election time council candidates were all in favour of urgently relooking at the current the current regulations and boundaries, so why the about turn now. In our business managing properties air conditioners are one of our biggest nightmares and maintenance cost. Wood is a renewable local resource available to many at little cost and clean burning log fires will work when electricity is off unlike air conditioners, gas fires, heat pumps, pallet fires and should be encouraged.
8. **Bank lane Roof** – all this needs is the old Roofing replaced with a good bendable clear plastic type products now available. The current frame work is perfectly alright. I have already spoken to the adjoining property owners' manager David Penrose about this, but wasn't interested. Their proposal will allow rain in on the BNZ side of the ally way.

Please consider my submissions and I wish to speak to Council in support of these submissions.

Kind Regards

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Please find attached a submission to the annual plan.

The branch requests their submission to be heard.

As the president of the Branch will be in Australia on the dates scheduled for hearings the National CEO MANZ will be flying in from Wellington to make the submission.

An early indication of the timing for this submission would be appreciated so that we can arrange Mr Baines travel.

regards John Gilbertson

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Submission from Nelson Branch - Motel Association of New Zealand.

The Nelson Branch represents the interests of Fifty motels in the Nelson Tasman region. Forty-two of these members are located in the Nelson city. Motels in the Nelson city are rate payers to whom commercial rating differentials apply.

Motels in the Nelson city rating environment provide the largest number of guest nights for visitors to the region, with some 16 member properties in the inner city and 24 member properties in Tahunanui.

Tourism is one of the key drivers to the Nelson economy and as such, Motel association members, provide valuable promotion of the region. Not with standing the fact that members contribute directly through their own various marketing plans most also contribute directly to various programmes coordinated by NTT (Nelson Tasman Tourism).

Submissions to the Annual Plan

- ⇒ **The Branch supports the councils endeavours to take steps to ensure the Trafalgar centre is repaired and reopened as quickly as possible.**

Rationale:

We are concerned that council ensure it has all the necessary information and recommendations to ensure the safety of the building, that the integrity of the foundations be confirmed and then the planned strenthening and upgrading of the existing entrance, Kitchen and Victory Meeting room be carried out on a sustainable economical basis. Our concerns over the original planned extension of the facility have already been expressed. We believe the centre should compliment rather than compete with developments by the private sector.

- **The Branch does not support council using rates to fund activities that are provided by central government or the private sector..**

Members have previously expressed their concerns regarding the plans for Rutherford Park developments. While these developments have been deferred until after decisions about the Trafalgar Centre developments, we continue to believe the plans should be revised to ensure that the Southern Arterial corridor is protected as a future Transport corridor.

We also submit that the provision of Free Wifi in the city should be provided by commercial providers and not funded through the rating system.

o **The Branch continues to have concerns about delays in securing our roading network.**

Rationale: The city continues to need a safe, secure and efficient roading network.

The Branch strongly supports the councils resolution to protect the Southern Arterial Route. The security of the current network has been tested and shown to fail during storms.

We have over the years participated in a number of consultations on this matter and are concerned at delays in the implementation of the necessary actions to protect this route. This protection has been agreed to by council.

The current two roads in and out of the city were not built to carry the present volumes of traffic and their structural integrity has been severely compromised.

Connectivity between the city and Richmond is crucial to the economic development of the region as a whole.

With tourism being one of the major economic drivers of the cities economy we believe council should be working to improve the Whangamoia road which is the major access to the region.

While supporting cycle networks that are well connected and which are predicted to add greatly to the economy through increased tourism. (anecdotal reports from members indicate increased visitor numbers of cycle tourists)

We do not support:

A Rocks Road shared walk/cycle without the development of the Southern Arterial: The volumes of logs travelling to the Port are expected to double within the next three years. Spending millions of dollars on developing a cycleway on the existing road without acting to provide a purpose built road for heavy transport (with planned mitigation) is a waste of ratepayer money. Any cycle way along rocks road must be developed to link through Tahunanui to the Great taste trail. The current focus on Rocks road without a link solution through Tahunanui is shortsighted. Our members on both Tahunanui drive and Waimea are experiencing consumer resistance to the increased freight traffic. Placing cycle ways on busy roading does not fit with cycle tourism.

Public Transport Revenue: We continue to question the level of funding from TDC for a service that in the main is being provided for rate payers in the TDC district . We also note the decreased funding available for this programme through the parking revenue subsidy.

- **The branch continues to support the council's proposals for flood protection and enhancement of the stormwater system.**

Rationale: The branch supports improvement and maintenance of all stormwater systems in particular we are pleased to read that council is coordinating work with other programmes. Eg Aligning storm water work at the same time as roading programme.

- **The branch supports the councils recent decisions which are designed to secure the future of the School of Music and Theatre Royal.**

Rationale:

The Branch recognises the importance of such facilities to the economy. Not only is there an advantage to the local rate payers who are able to attend events at these venues, but to the wider community from the provision of services to those visiting to attend these events.

- **Differential Rates – The Branch once again wishes to draw council's attention to growing number of commercial accommodation facilities operating in residential zones without the appropriate consents.**

Rationale:

The council has a responsibility under the Resource Management Plan to monitor commercial activity in residential areas.

We strenuously question the reluctance of council to investigate which properties are being used commercially and not rated appropriately.

The accommodation guideline provided by council provides a flowchart:
The first question asks;

Is this property your permanent address?... if no ... a resource consent is required.

And if it is your permanent address....

If you are offering accommodation to 5 or more people, a building consent for change of use and a resource consent are required.

Furthermore the Building act states

A household unit means any *building* or group of *buildings*, or part of any *building* or group of *buildings*, **used or intended to be used solely or principally for residential purposes and occupied or intended to be occupied exclusively as the home or residence of not more than one household;** but does not include a hostel or boardinghouse or other specialised accommodation

In the last six years the internet has enabled a new visitor accommodation industry to develop largely unregulated.

The Holiday Home industry now equates to approximately 45 additional motel complexes (average 12 units) in the Nelson region.

It is clear there is demand for this type of accommodation however we are asking council to apply fairness and a level playing field in the compliance and rating of all commercial visitor accommodation.

Many of the owners and managers of these Holiday Homes and apartments operate their own websites, advertise on collective selling sites (including NelsonNZ.com) and use professional agents, managers, cleaners and laundry services. These are most definitely commercial entities.

We have previously made council aware of the problems of ignoring this activity and its responsibilities under the resource management act.

The Majority of these homes:

Do not have consents which mean:

No Warrant of Fitness

No Fire evacuation procedures

No Requirement to provide disability access facilities

Have residential rather than commercial insurance

Have no public Liability cover

And are not covered by EQC

Furthermore most do not pay the appropriate rating differential, water and trade waste surcharges.

We have previously indicated that after an initial search of just four of the major websites for this region, show these facilities now have the capacity to accommodate over 1500 people per night. As previously stated by implementing simple maths this equates to another 45 motel complexes operating in the region. (This is a conservative estimate as we have not searched all the current websites.)

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Applying the average rating charges and differentials to these 45 motels, this equates to approx \$350000 in rates and surcharges not being collected by council. This is a conservative estimate as these figures are from just four websites and there numerous pages of them listed on google.

For moteliers there are other issues of expenses that mean the Holiday home business's because they are not commercially rated by council do not pay commercial rates on services such as ... Electricity, Telecommunications, Sky Tv and the list goes on.

In summary the council is on notice that if it does not take its responsibility under the act seriously, and a disaster occurs be it earthquake, fire, flood or the like, it may find itself legally responsible for not implementing the appropriate regulations.

The Branch wishes to be heard in relation to these submissions.

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Natascha Van Dien

From: Administration Support
Subject: FW: SUBMISSIONS ON NCC ANNUAL PLAN
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From: Submissions
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From: leonie [<mailto:leonie@stalgsmith.co.nz>] **On Behalf Of** Jackie McNae
Sent: Monday, 28 April 2014 3:58 p.m.
To: Council Enquiries (Enquiry)
Subject: SUBMISSIONS ON NCC ANNUAL PLAN
Importance: High

Dear Sir/Madam
Please find attached submissions on the NCC Annual Plan for my Clients:

- Stoke Valley Holdings Ltd
- Lilyvale Holdings Ltd
- Adcock Properties Ltd

Thank you.

Natascha Van Dien

From: Administration Support
Subject: FW: Annual Plan Submission- Lilyvale Holdings Ltd

From: Jackie [<mailto:jackie@staigsmith.co.nz>]
Sent: Wednesday, 30 April 2014 9:24 a.m.
To: Administration Advisers
Cc: 'Graham Wright'
Subject: Annual Plan Submission- Lilyvale Holdings Ltd

Good Morning

I am just following up on my phone call this morning confirming that the submission I lodged for Lilyvale Holdings via email on Monday the 28th April just before 4pm is to be withdrawn. I lodged three submissions for different clients attached to the same email, it is only the Lilyvale submission attached to that email that is to be withdrawn. These clients have lodged their own submission earlier (which will either be in the same name of Lilyvale or under G&G Wright) that submission is to still stand, only the submission lodged by myself with Staig and Smith as the address for service is to be withdrawn. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Regards,
Jackie McNae
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NELSON ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION

- 1.0 Submitter:** Stoke Valley Holdings Limited
- 2.0 Submission**
- 2.1 Stoke Valley Holdings Ltd (SVHL) have an interest in subdivision and development in the City. SVHL are aware that others in the Development community, and the Chamber of Commerce, are lodging submissions raising a broad range of concerns regarding Financial and Development Contributions, and Rating policies. SVHL is broadly in agreement with a number of the issues raised, and considers that it is appropriate to review these issues. SVHL would wish to be part of any such discussions with the Council, particularly as the Council moves forward to reviewing the Long Term Plan (LTP) and the Nelson Resource Management Plan (NRMP).
- 2.2 SVHL is of the view that the timing of payment of Financial and Development Contributions, as well as introduction of rates on new allotments, is a critical issue in terms of risk at critical phases in the development cycle. SVHL considers that the imposition of Financial and Development Contributions, and the taking of rates on newly developed allotments, should coincide with the point of sale of the allotment. Prior to that point, there is no burden on the servicing network, the reserves network nor the other activities for which rates are collected. In broad terms therefore SVHL agrees with other submitters that have raised the issue of timing of payments and considers that this is an issue that should be reviewed to bring the timing of payments in line with the point at which demand/burden on networks and facilities arise.
- 3.0 Decision Sought**
- 3.1 SVHL seeks that the Council addresses the timing of payments for Financial and Development Contributions and rating on new allotments with urgency.
- 3.2 In respect of reviewing the Policy for the quantum of contributions both Financial and Development Contributions, these will need to be addressed under the review of the LTP and the NRMP. The Submitter seeks to be involved, along with others in the Development community, to work with the Council in reviewing the basis and quantum of the contributions.
- 4.0** The submitter reserves the right to be heard in respect of this submission.

Dated this 28th day of April 2014



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NELSON CITY COUNCIL
ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION

- 1.0 Submitter:** Adcock Properties Limited
- 2.0 Submission**
- 2.1 Adcock Properties Limited (APL) have an interest in subdivision and development in the City. APL is aware that others in the Development Community, and the Chamber of Commerce, are raising a broad range of concerns regarding Financial and Development Contributions, and Rating policies. APL is broadly in agreement with a number of the issues raised, and considers that it is appropriate to review these issues. APL would wish to be part of any such discussion with the Council, particularly as the Council moves forward to reviewing the Long Term Plan (LTP) and the Nelson Resource Management Plan (NRMP).
- 2.2 APL is of the view that the timing of payment of Financial and Development Contributions, as well as introduction of rates on new allotments, is a significant issue in terms of risk at critical phases in the development cycle. APL considers that the imposition of Financial and Development Contributions, and taking of rates on newly developed allotments, should coincide with point of sale of the allotment. Prior to that point, there is no burden on the servicing network, the reserves network, nor other activities for which rates are collected. In broad terms therefore APL agrees with other submitters that have raised the issue of timing of payments and considers that this is an issue that should be reviewed to bring the timing of payments in line with the point at which demand/burden on network and facilities arises, and this point is the point of sale of the allotment.
- 2.3 APL, like others in the community, has an interest in providing a range of housing choices including more affordable housing options. The current Financial and Development Contributions regime provides little incentive to consider more innovative and comprehensive housing options given the financial hurdles in place for different types of housing including high density housing when the same Financial and Development Contribution regime applies, with the exception of some acknowledgement for Stormwater contributions.
- 2.4 Council on the one hand regularly promotes a range of housing densities and affordability. Council has through a range of actions supported higher density housing options introducing efficiency of use of land, efficiency of use of infrastructure, but as part of this vision Council has developed few incentives and has not removed barriers to encourage developers to give further consideration to different types of innovative housing options. This causes a significant hurdle/barrier for those in the Development Community to consider different housing types, providing different choices and a range of pricing options. The submitter like others in the Development Community, wishes to consider such options, but currently the financial viability of such options are marginal and carry very high risks. The submitter considers that the timing of payments is one critical issue in addressing risks. Another issue is the quantum of payments for different types of development options, which potentially have different impacts, different effects including positive effects and these differences should be addressed through the quantum of payments.
- 2.5 The timing of payments is an issue that the submitter considers the Council can address now without undermining the policy basis for taking contributions. In relation to quantum of contributions, both Financial and Development Contributions, this requires a review of the policy framework removing some of the current barriers/hurdles to comprehensive housing developments including high density developments. The Policy framework should encourage greater choice for style of housing and greater affordability by providing different housing entry options. This

review of the policy framework and quantum of contributions requires a review of the provisions under the LTP and the NRMP. APL wishes to be part of the consultation and work with the Council in developing an appropriate Policy framework that is fair and reasonable, and provides encouragement to consider a wider range of development and housing choices to provide different options for entry into the housing market, which is in the public interest in terms of the efficient use of the land resource and infrastructure resources already in place.

2.6 APL notes quite a disconnect between what Council is seeking to encourage in terms of development options and affordable housing, and the policies that are pursued in terms of creating opportunities for high density development, providing for connectivity between neighbourhoods, to create connected and vibrant communities. While these policies are all very laudable, they shift the cost of such policies entirely to the land developer, with no cost/benefit analysis of private and public benefit. Currently Council is clear on the benefits of housing choices and comprehensive housing options, and ensuring connectivity of such neighbourhoods with the wider community, but there is no acknowledgement by the Council in terms of the costs of providing this, and ensuring that the costs are appropriately shared in terms of individual development benefits and wider community benefits. An example of this for APL is the identification by Council in relation to their proposed Toi Toi Grove development, that the formation of Montreal Rd, between Toi Toi St and Princes Drive would provide connectivity between existing developed areas of the City, provide connectivity for the new development, and provide wider development options for other unrelated land. While APL acknowledges those benefits, currently the cost of achieving the benefits would be entirely met by APL. There is no acknowledgement currently of the wider public benefits of such connectivity by placing Montreal Rd on the LTP, as a road to be formed for the benefit both of the City and the benefit of future development of land adjoining.

2.7 Unless Council looks at development issues both in terms of costs and benefits, then the barriers to developing land such as Toi Toi Grove are too great in terms of financial risk and viability. Yet there are significant benefits to the development of such land in terms of housing choice, development of land that can be seen as inner city land, in close proximity to an existing infrastructure, existing services and facilities including commercial facilities and existing transport networks for cars, bikes and pedestrians into the CBD. Council has invested heavily in some of these networks, but to ensure that the investment is efficiently and sustainably used relies on undeveloped land in the locality being developed to make full use of that investment.

3.0 Decision Sought

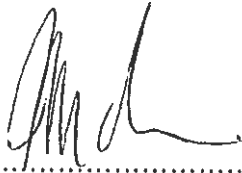
3.1 APL seek that the Council addresses the timing of payments for Financial and Development Contributions and rating on new allotments with urgency. APL considers that the timing of the payments should be at the point of sale of allotments.

3.3 In respect of reviewing the policy for the quantum of Contributions, both Financial and Development Contributions, including Contributions for connections to services, these need to be addressed through the LTP and the NRMP. The Submitter seeks to be involved, along with others in the Development community, to work with the Council in reviewing the basis and quantum of the Contributions. The review of Contributions would also be an opportunity to address policies and incentives for encouraging a wide range of section sizes and housing choices through reducing the barriers and risks to such development, which include the current Contributions regime. The current regime provides little recognition that not all residential units place the same burden on servicing networks and facilities. Nor does the current regime recognise that high density housing options are an efficient use of the existing network, and therefore should be encouraged so that maximum benefit is gained from existing investment in existing infrastructure.

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- 3.4 The submitter seeks that as part of the review of the LTP which Council is already working on, that the construction of Montreal Rd from Toi Toi St through to Princes Drive be added to the transport network projects on the forthcoming LTP.
- 4.0 The submitter reserves the right to be heard in respect of this submission.

Dated this 28th day of April 2014



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