



NOTICE OF A MEETING OF

COUNCIL

to be held on Thursday, 28 March 2019 at 9.30am
in the Council Chamber, Rotorua Lakes Council

Chairperson: Mayor Chadwick

Members: Cr Donaldson (Deputy) Cr Bentley Cr Gould
Cr Hunt Cr Kent Cr Kumar
Cr Maxwell Cr Raukawa-Tait Cr Sturt
Cr Tapsell

Quorum: 6

A G E N D A

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- KARAKIA WHAKAPUAKI**
OPENING KARAKIA
 - NGĀ WHAKAPAAHA**
APOLOGIES
(includes leave of absence notification)
 - WHAKAPUAKITANGA WHAIPĀNGA**
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a Member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to Members to review the matters on the agenda and assess and identify where they may have a pecuniary or other conflict of interest, or where there may be a perception of a conflict of interest.

If a member feels they do have a conflict of interest, they should publicly declare that at the start of the meeting or of the relevant item of business and refrain from participating in the discussion or voting on that item. If a member thinks they may have a conflict of interest, they can seek advice from the Chief Executive or the Corporate Planning & Governance Manager (preferably before the meeting). It is noted that while members can seek advice the final decision as to whether a conflict exists rests with the member.

4. **NGĀ TAKE WHAWHATI TATA KĀORE I TE RĀRANGI TAKE URGENT ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Section 46A of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 states:

- (7) An item that is not on the agenda for a meeting may be dealt with at the meeting if –
- (a) the local authority by resolution so decides, and
 - (b) the presiding member explains at the meeting at a time when it is open to the public, -
 - (i) the reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
 - (ii) the reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.
- (7A) Where an item is not on the agenda for a meeting, -
- (a) that item may be discussed at the meeting if –
 - (i) that item is a minor matter relating to the general business of the local authority; and
 - (ii) the presiding member explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at the meeting; but
 - (b) No resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer that item to a subsequent meeting of the local authority for further discussion.

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The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<u>General subject of each matter to be considered</u>	<u>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</u>	<u>Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution</u>
CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES of previous meeting held 28 February 2019	Please refer to the relevant clause/s in the open meeting minutes.	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a).
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES Disposal of Council owned property	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(i)
	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(h)
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES Concept design for Sir Howard Morrison Performing Arts Centre	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(i)
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES Crankworx support	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(i)
RECOMMENDATION 2: Nomination to recruit to the “Recovery Manager Civil Defence” position within Rotorua Lakes Council incident management team	Protect the privacy of natural persons.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(a)
RECOMMENDATION 3: Extension of Contract 16/001 – removal and beneficial re-use of sewage sludge 2016	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(i)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6 or 7 of the Act or Sections 6, 7 or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above (in brackets) with respect to each item.

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COUNCIL DELEGATIONS

Type of Committee	Council
Subordinate to	
Subordinate Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategy, Policy and Finance committee • Operations and Monitoring committee • District Licencing committee • CEO performance committee • RMA Policy Committee • Audit and Risk Committee • Working /Strategy Groups (People, Sustainable living, Creative communities, District Revitalisation, Sustainable Economic Development Strategy, Sports and Recreation)
Legislative Basis	Schedule 7 S30 (1) (A), Local Government Act 2002 Committee delegated powers by the Council as per Schedule 7, S32, Local Government Act 2002
Purpose	The purpose of the Council is to make decisions on all matters that cannot be delegated, that it has not delegated or that it has had referred to it by staff or a committee.
Reference	01-15-010
Membership	Mayor (Chair) Deputy Mayor (Deputy Chair) All councillors
Quorum	6
Meeting frequency	Monthly
Delegations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the power to make a rate • the power to make a bylaw • the power to borrow money, or purchase or dispose of assets, other than in accordance with the Long-term Plan • the power to adopt a long-term plan, annual plan, or annual report • the power to appoint a chief executive • the power to adopt policies required to be adopted and consulted on under the LGA 2002 in association with the long-term plan, or developed for the purpose of the local governance statement; and • the power to adopt a remuneration and employment policy • the power to set and support strategies in measures related to emergency matters. • all the powers, duties and discretions under the Civil Defence Act for the proper operation and administration of the approved Civil Defence Plan; such delegation to be executed solely within the

	defined policy guidelines as determined from time to time by the Council and subject to the Financial limits imposed by the approved Council estimates.
Relevant Statutes	All the duties and responsibilities listed above must be carried out in accordance with the relevant legislation.
Limits to Delegations	Powers that cannot be delegated to committees a per the Local Government Act 2002 Schedule 7 S32

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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

Minutes

**Council meeting held Thursday, 28 February 2019 at 9.30am
in the Council Chamber, Rotorua Lakes Council**

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mayor Chadwick (Chairperson) Cr Bentley, Cr Donaldson (Deputy Mayor), Cr Gould, Cr Hunt, Cr Kent, Cr Maxwell, Cr Raukawa-Tait, Cr Sturt, Cr Tapsell
APOLOGIES:	Cr Kumar
IN ATTENDANCE:	S Trumper, Rural Community Board
STAFF PRESENT:	G Williams, Chief Executive; G Rangī, Manahautū Maori; J-P Gaston, Group Manager Strategy; T Collé, CFO/ Group Manager Business Support; S Michael, General Manager Infrastructure; C Tiriana, Manager CE's Office; O Hopkins, Manager Corporate Planning & Governance; S Brown, Manager of Arts & Culture (part); R Pitkethley, Sport, Recreation & Environment Manager (part); I Tiriana, Council Communications Manager; R Dunn, Governance Lead; M Bell, Corporate Planning Co-ordinator; C Peden, Governance Support Advisor.

Mayor Chadwick welcomed councillors, members of the public, media and staff to the Council meeting.

**1. KARAKIA WHAKAPUAKI
OPENING KARAKIA**

Mayor Chadwick offered Council's collective condolences to the families of Dudley Raroa, David Eparaima and Haki Hiha, two of whom were former Castlecorp staff. She also extended condolences to their employer Higgins and co-workers. A one-minute silence was observed.

Cr Bentley then opened the meeting with the Council prayer.

**2. NGĀ WHAKAPAAHA
APOLOGIES**

Resolved

That the apologies from Cr Kumar be accepted.

Cr Raukawa-Tait/Cr Gould
CARRIED

**3. WHAKAPUAKITANGA WHAIPĀNGA
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**4. NGĀ TAKE WHAWHATI TATA KĀORE I TE RĀRANGI TAKE
URGENT ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

The following urgent item was raised:

4.1 The appointment of an elected member to a community reference group – Ngongotaha Flood Action Plan

The chair explained:

- The item was not on agenda as the information was received after the agenda had been approved.
- Discussion could not be delayed until a subsequent meeting as Expressions of Interest for the Community Reference Group close today.

Resolved

That a confidential urgent item to endorse the appointment of Rural Community Board Chair, Shirley Trumper, to the community reference group to develop an Action Plan to reduce the risk and impact of future storm events in Ngongotaha be dealt with at this meeting.

Mayor Chadwick/Cr Maxwell

CARRIED

4.2 Alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct

ACTION POINT - this matter to be referred to the Chief Executive.

**5. TE WHAKAŪ I NGĀ MENETI
CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

5.1 Council meeting – 13 December 2018

Resolved

That the minutes of the Council meeting held 13 December 2018 be confirmed as true and correct.

Cr Gould/Cr Bentley

CARRIED

5.2 Release of confidential items

Resolved

That the report 'Release of confidential items' be received.

Cr Donaldson/Cr Hunt
CARRIED

**6. NGĀ TAUNAKITANGA A ĒTAHI ATU KOMITI
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

Resolved

1. **That the report "Recommendations from other committees" be received.**

Cr Sturt/Cr Gould
CARRIED

2. **That the following recommendations of the Strategy Policy & Finance Committee meeting held 14 February 2019 be adopted:**

Recommendation 1	
WAIKITE THERMAL POOLS – NEW LEASE	50-05-216
That Council enter into a new lease for twenty years from 1 June 2020 to 30 May 2040 with The Living Waters of Waikite Valley Limited.	
	Cr Gould/Cr Kent C19/02/001 CARRIED

**7. KA MATATAPU TE WHAKATAUNGA I TE TŪMATANUI
RESOLUTION TO GO INTO PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

Resolved

That Council move into public excluded session.

Cr Gould/Cr Donaldson
CARRIED

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CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES of previous meeting held 13 December 2018	Please refer to the relevant clause/s in the open meeting minutes.	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a).
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES Polynesian Spa admission charge increase	Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(b)(ii)
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES Hemo Sculpture	Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(i) Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(b)(ii)
RECOMMENDATION 1: Contract 18/048 Minor Works Transport 2019-22	Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(b)(ii) Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(i)
URGENT ITEM Council representation on community reference group – Ngongotaha Flood Action Plan	The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons.	Section 48(1)(a) 7(2)(a)

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The meeting adjourned at 9.51am and reconvened at 9.56am.

ATTENDANCE: Cr Bentley left the meeting at 9.51am

OPEN SESSION

The meeting closed at 10.39am

To be confirmed at a Council meeting on 28 March 2019

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Mayor

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**RELEASE OF
CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

Mayor
Members
COUNCIL

RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Report prepared by: Rick Dunn, Governance Lead
Report reviewed by: Jean-Paul Gaston, Group Manager Strategy
Report approved by: Geoff Williams, Chief Executive

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on any confidential items which have been released since the previous meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the report 'Release of confidential items' be received.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 Council's Standing Orders, Clause 17.5 'Release of information from public excluded' states:

"A local authority may provide for the release to the public of information which has been considered during the public excluded part of a meeting.

Each public excluded meeting must consider and agree by resolution, what, if any, information will be released to the public. In addition the chief executive may release information which has been considered at a meeting from which the public has been excluded where it is determined the grounds to withhold the information no longer exist. The chief executive will inform the subsequent meeting of the nature of the information released."

4. SUMMARY OF RELEASED ITEMS

	Item	Meeting
A.	Contract 18/048 - Minor Works Transport 2019 - 2022	Council meeting 28 February 2019

5. DECISIONS RELEASED (RELATING TO THE ABOVE TABLE)

5.1 **Contract 18/048 - Minor Works Transport 2019 – 2022**

That the Council agrees that Contract 18/048: Minor Works Transport 2019-2022 be awarded to Campbell Infrastructure for the sum of \$2,314,372.40.

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RECOMMENDATIONS
FROM
OTHER COMMITTEES

File No: 01-15-010\25

ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

The Mayor
Members
COUNCIL

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Report prepared by: Carol Peden, Governance Support Advisor

Report reviewed by: Oonagh Hopkins, Corporate Planning & Governance Manager

Report approved by: Geoff Williams, Chief Executive

1. **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an opportunity for members to consider recommendations received from other committees.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. **That the report "Recommendations from other committees" be received.**
2. **That the following recommendations of the Strategy Policy & Finance Committee meeting held 14 March 2019 be adopted:**

Recommendation 1	
DRAFT HANNAHS BAY/WAIKAWAU RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN	64-48-011-01
2. That the Committee recommends to Council that the Draft Hannahs Bay/Waikawau Reserve Management Plan be approved for public consultation pursuant to Section 41(6) of the Reserves Act 1977.	
3. That the Committee recommends to Council that the following members are appointed to hear submissions and make recommendations to Council on the Draft Hannahs Bay/Waikawau Reserve Management Plan:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cr Sturt• Mr Eugene Berryman-Kamp• Mr Phill Thomass• Cr Tapsell• Cr Hunt	

3. That the following recommendations of the Resource Management Act Policy Committee meeting held 14 March 2019 be adopted, with minor amendments as outlined in the report:

Recommendation 1

1. That the report: *Notification Of Plan Change 2: Pukehangi and The Use of The Streamlined Plan Change Process* be received.
 2. A. That the Council approves that an application be made to the Minister for the Environment to use the Streamlined Plan Change Process for Plan Change 2: Pukehangi Heights (staff preferred option).
- OR
2. B. That Council approves the public notification of Plan Change 2: Pukehangi Heights, including the Section 32 Report and associated documents.
 3. That Council agrees that any final changes that are not substantive in nature to the proposed Plan Change prior to notification be made by the RMA Policy Committee after consideration of:
 - a. the reports on stormwater;
 - b. the Cultural Impact Assessment and Archaeological Assessment; and
 - c. any additional reports or information received.

3. **BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 The report relating to the Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee's recommendation was included in that committee's 14 March 2019 meeting agenda. This agenda is available for viewing on Council's website under www.rotorualakescouncil.nz / Our Council / Meetings.
- 3.2 A report explaining the Resource Management Act Policy Committee's recommendations is attached (Attachment 1). Attachments relating to this report are available on Council's website under 'Current Consultations' / 'District Plan – Draft Plan Change 2 – Pukehangi Heights'.

File No: 69-06-028-06
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ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

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REPORT ON NOTIFICATION OF PLAN CHANGE 2: PUKEHANGI AND THE USE OF THE STREAMLINED PLAN CHANGE PROCESS

Report prepared by: Kate Dahm, Team Lead, RMA Policy

Report reviewed by: Henry Weston, Group Manager, Operations

Report approved by: Geoff Williams, Chief Executive

**1. TE PUTAKE
PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of Plan Change 2: Pukehangi Heights (PC2) and to seek Council approval for the public notification of the Plan Change using either the Streamlined Plan Change Process (SPP) or the standard 'First Schedule' Process.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Rotorua is experiencing considerable pressure on its housing stock. Increasing population growth has seen Rotorua identified by Government as a 'medium growth' District, defined as an urban area with projected growth between 5% and 10% over a 10 year period.

Pukehangi has been identified as a growth area for a number of years. The District Plan recognises the land as a 'future growth' area, but it was not anticipated that this would be needed until 2021 with the relatively low growth figures at the time. The Spatial Plan, adopted last year, also identified Pukehangi as a priority area for enabling the growth that is occurring.

Landowners have been working with Council over the past 2-3 years to progress this Plan Change, with considerable attention paid to comprehensive structure planning, consideration of natural hazard issues and landscape values. If the Plan Change is approved, the path will be open for landowners to apply for subdivision consents and effectively unlock land for the provision of up to 700 houses.

As noted, the Plan Change has been signalled for a number of years and opportunities have been provided to iwi and the wider public to engage with it through the District Planning Review, through the preparation of the Spatial Plan, and more recently through more targeted engagement with iwi, directly affected parties and the local community.

The two key decisions for the Council are:

- Approval for the draft Plan Change to be referred to the Minister for the Environment to follow the streamlined Plan Change process. This process removes appeal rights and consequently should lead to quicker final decisions being reached; or
- Approval of the draft Plan Change for public notification under 'standard' RMA processes.

3. FORM OF REPORT

This report is a consolidated version of two reports that were presented to the RMA Policy Committee earlier in the month. The RMA Policy Committee has recommended that the Plan Change is notified, and that the report on the notification process and whether to use the SPP go before Council for consideration.

As such, this is a more detailed report than normal with a number of attachments. This has been done for a number of reasons:

1. In making a decision on the notification of a Plan Change, Council must 'have particular regard' to the Section 32 Evaluation Report¹. The Section 32 Evaluation Report and associated reports are attached².
2. If the Council agrees that the Plan Change should be notified, then there is an additional decision on the process that should be followed being either the standard process under the Resource Management Act, or the SPP. In making a decision on the SPP, Council needs to not only have an understanding of what the Plan Change aims to achieve, but also the wider context of the engagement undertaken to date with the community. As is described below, the SPP removes the right of appeal that exists in the standard process.

The SPP cannot be used after a Plan Change has been notified. That is, the decisions need to be made together.

2. HE TŪTOHUNGA RECOMMENDATION

1. **That the report: *Notification Of Plan Change 2: Pukehangi and The Use of The Streamlined Plan Change Process* be received.**
2. **That the Council approves that an application be made to the Minister for the Environment to use the Streamlined Plan Change Process for Plan Change 2: Pukehangi Heights (staff preferred option).**

OR

3. **That Council approves the public notification of Plan Change 2: Pukehangi Heights, including the Section 32 Report and associated documents.**
4. **That Council agrees that any final changes that are not substantive in nature to the proposed Plan Change prior to notification be made by the RMA Policy Committee after consideration of:**
 - a. **the reports on stormwater;**
 - b. **the Cultural Impact Assessment and Archaeological Assessment; and**
 - c. **any additional reports or information received.**

¹ RMA, First Schedule, Clause 5(1)

² A Section 32 Evaluation Report is a statutory requirement under the RMA. It requires whoever is proposing a Plan Change to assess the provisions in light of the purpose of the Act: *to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources*, and to take into account the costs, benefits and risks of the approach proposed.

3. TE TĀHUHU BACKGROUND

PC2: Pukehangi Heights

When the District Plan was reviewed, the rural land on the south western side of Pukehangi Road was identified in the Plan as a Future Growth Area. This was, and still is, a logical location for urban development due to its proximity to existing urban areas and ability to connect to existing infrastructure. It is anticipated that the Future Growth Area will enable the creation of up to 700 sites. The majority will be standard residential sites, with some rural residential and the potential for medium density development in identified locations.

Growth projections at the time of the District Plan indicated that this land would not be required for development until after 2021. Since then, Rotorua has experienced significantly higher levels of growth than anticipated. This has resulted in Rotorua being identified as a *Medium Growth* Council under the National Policy Statement for Urban Development Capacity (NPS UDC). A Housing Accord has been signed by RLC and central government which recognises housing supply and affordability issues within the District. The Accord includes aspirational targets for new housing and subdivisions.

Limited growth has occurred in the other residentially zoned, 'greenfield' areas within the District, heightening the need for the Plan Change. As a result of this, the Rotorua Spatial Plan (adopted last year) has also identified the Future Growth Area as one of the keys to addressing growth pressures within the District.

In addition, the Regional Policy Statement has been adopted which requires structure planning to occur when large areas of land are rezoned for urban development and also requires a much greater focus on natural hazard assessments.

Finally, one of land owners within the Future Growth Area has gained consent for a 37 lot subdivision. This process has further highlighted the need for a coordinated, structure planned approach to development. The remaining landowners are supportive of this approach.

This combination of factors has resulted in and influenced the development of the draft Plan Change.

Work done to date on the Plan Change

- Staff have worked with the two land owners within the Future Growth Area, and Te Arawa Group Holdings (TAGH) (who own the adjoining land to the south east³) to develop a structure plan and associated provisions (see Attachment 2) that are intended to enable the reasonable development aspirations of the land owners while addressing upfront any potential site issues.
- A strong landscape focus has been adopted in development of structure plan/provisions and subsequent independent landscape assessment (Attachment 3).
- Stormwater assessments for the three sites have been undertaken that show there is sufficient attenuation capacity available on the sites to protect downstream areas from flooding with a strong focus on incorporation of Low Impact Urban Design Principles, along with a downstream flood assessment (Attachment 4). All of these stormwater assessments have been peer reviewed.

³ This site has an approved Development Plan that enables, via a consent process, the development of a retirement village. TAGH preference was for residential development on their site.

- Land owners have undertaken high level Geotechnical Assessments of their respective sites and the Regional Council have commissioned GNS to report on Earthquake Fault Trace Risks (Attachment 5).
- The impact of development on the traffic network has been modelled (Attachment 6), and discussions have occurred with the Matipo Ave residents and Matipo Ave Residents Incorporated Society (MARIS).
- A Cultural Impact Assessment (CIA - Attachment 7 (to come)) and Archaeology Assessments (Attachment 8 (to come)) have been initiated. One archaeological site (a midden) has been found, and 12 potential sites have been identified. An exploratory authority has been sought, and archaeological works started on site on 18 March. Following completion, any confirmed archaeological sites will be protected as appropriate, and the CIA completed.

Outstanding Work

Both the archaeologist and Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kea Ngāti Tuarā are aiming to complete the CIA and Archaeological Report prior to the Council meeting on 28 March. Depending on what is found, subsequent changes may also be required to the Plan Change provisions and structure plan, for example, any confirmed archaeological sites will need to be identified on the structure plan and depending on the extent of archaeology found there may need to be additional discovery protocols and provisions to ensure the effects on cultural values are appropriately addressed. These reports and any amendments will need to be tabled at the Council meeting.

Should either the archaeological or cultural impact assessment not be completed it is suggested that any implications of these be considered by the RMA Policy Committee and only brought back to Council if there are substantive changes to the Plan Change document required.

Council staff are meeting with the Regional Council in relation to the Stormwater Reports on 25 March. Feedback will be provided at the Council meeting.

Consultation Undertaken

Consultation has been undertaken with the following parties, please see *Attachment 1: Evaluation Report (Section 32 Report)* which includes a summary of the key issues identified and how the Plan Change addresses that issue.

Consultation with Statutory Parties (RMA, First Schedule, Clause 3(1)(a) – (c))

- Ministry for the Environment (cl 3(1)(a))
- Other Ministers of the Crown who may be affected (cl 3(1)(b)):
 - Minister of Housing and Urban Development
 - Minister of Transport
 - Minister of Health
 - Minister of Education
 - Minister of Civil Defence
- Bay of Plenty Regional Council (cl 3(1)(c))
- Tangata Whenua of the area who may be so affected through iwi authorities (cl 3(1)(d)):
 - Ngāti Kea and Ngāti Tuara
 - Komiti nui of Ngāti Whakaue

Enquiries have also been made of Ngāti Rangiwewehi and Ngāti Raukawa to determine if pre-notification consultation is required with these iwi authorities. Ngāti Rangiwewehi has confirmed that they defer to Ngāti Kea Ngāti Tuara who hold mana whenua/ahi kaa over this area. At the time of writing we have not received a formal response from Ngāti Raukawa.

Consultation with any other parties (RMA, First Schedule, Clause 3(2)):

- Parklands Estate (Presentation 12/09/2018 outlining Plan Change).
 - Residents between the Parklands Development and the Sumner Block (Presentation 03/11/2018 outlining Plan Change).
 - Matipo Ave Residents (Presentation 26/11/2018 outlining Plan Change) + a number of meetings with the Matipo Ave Residents Incorporated Society (MARIS). Follow up meeting 12/02/2019 to present Council's preferred roading option.
 - Public Drop-In Session (6/12/2018) – public notice and letters or emails to 1000 residents in surrounding area inviting them to the session.
- A summary of the feedback received is set out in the Section 32 Evaluation.

It is also worth repeating here that this area was identified and consulted on through the development of the Rotorua Spatial Plan, and prior to this, all three sites were identified for development as part of the District Plan review (either as a Future Growth Area or in the case of the TAGH land as the Twin Oaks Development Plan) and submitted on.

As detailed below, the Plan Change will, subject to approval of Council, be publicly notified providing the opportunity for formal submissions.

What the Plan Change Proposes

The Section 32 Report outlines the Plan Change as follows:

The main purpose of the proposed Plan Change is to enable residential development to occur within the Pukehangi Heights Development Area.

Broadly, the proposal is to enable residential development to occur on two distinct upper and lower terraces, and large lot rural residential development on the north facing escarpment located between the two terraces.

Two small scale local centres are also proposed to provide limited commercial services that are easily accessible by walking.

The proposed Plan Change includes:

- *Objectives and Policies that address landscape, urban design, and natural hazard risk management issues specific to the Pukehangi Heights Development Area, in addition to the general objectives and policies for the Residential 1 and Rural 2 Zone.*
- *Zoning the Pukehangi Heights Development Area Residential 1 (Residential Living) and Rural 2 (Rural Lifestyle);*
- *Establishing a Pukehangi Heights Development Area Structure Plan to guide the future development of the land in relation to landscape management, urban design, access and connectivity (including active transport modes), and stormwater infrastructure;*
- *Land use and subdivision provisions that address landscape, urban design, natural hazard risk and traffic management issues specific to the Pukehangi Heights Development Area in addition to the general provisions for the Residential 1 and Rural 2 Zone, including provisions relating to;*
 - *Mitigating effects of development on the landscape and visual values of the Lake Rotorua Caldera;*
 - *Requiring a Stormwater Management Plan and Natural Hazard Risk Assessment as part of any subdivision consent application;*
 - *Facilitating small scale convenience retail and childcare at walkable centres adjacent to Pukehangi Road;*

- *Facilitating small medium density housing areas adjacent to the walkable centres and open space;*
- *Protecting the values of identified cultural heritage sites.*
- *Where subdivision and development meet the proposed standards, applications for resource consent will not be notified to the public or affected parties.*

It is anticipated that the Future Growth Area will enable the creation of up to 700 sites. The majority will be standard residential sites, with some rural residential and the potential for medium density development in identified locations.

Next Steps for the Plan Change

Normally, once a plan change is drafted the '1st Schedule' plan change process is followed. The steps involve:

- Full public notification;
- Submissions;
- Further Submissions;
- Hearings by Qualified Hearing Commissioner;
- Decision to Council;
- Ability for Submitters to Appeal;
- Ability for a limited range of other parties to appeal;
- Mediation;
- Environment Court Hearing (if mediation not successful);
- Decision;
- Council affixes Common Seal

This process is time consuming, particularly if there are appeals. On the other hand, the appeal process adds the potential for an additional level of scrutiny to decisions by the Environment Court.

Use of the Streamlined Plan Change Process - Introduction

One of the amendments to the RMA in 2017 was the inclusion of provisions enabling the use of a Streamlined Plan Change Process (SPP)⁴.

The SPP enables a shortened Plan Change process to occur in a limited range of circumstances – this includes:

- Plan Changes that are implementing a national direction e.g. the National Policy Statement on Urban Development Capacity (NPS UDC); and/or
- Plan Changes that are being used to meet a significant community need.

We believe there is a strong argument that the need for additional housing in Rotorua triggers both of these criteria. Ultimately though this is a decision for the Council in first instance, and then the Minister.

The key difference between the standard '1st Schedule' Plan Change process and the SPP is the removal of appeal rights. As is discussed below, the approach being proposed below by staff still provides significant opportunities for public participation, whether that is land owners, neighbours,

⁴ Detailed information on the SPP is available here: <http://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/rma/technical-guide-streamlined-planning-process-under-resource-management-act-1991>

iwi, the Regional Council or the wider public, through submissions, further submissions, pre-hearing meetings, and presentation of submissions at the Hearing.

What do appeal rights provide for?

The RMA enables anyone who made a submission on a Plan Change to appeal that decision if they raised that issue in their submission. A limited range of parties can also join an appeal.

Appeals enable parties who are unhappy with a decision to have the issue reconsidered. The issues raised may be minor or more fundamental. The majority of appeals are resolved through mediation.

Ability to use the Streamlined Plan Change Process

Should Council choose to apply to the Minister it would be done on the basis that Council was both implementing a National Direction and responding to a significant community need. In relation to the National Direction question, Council would need to show how the National Policy Statement for Urban Development Capacity (NPS UDC) was met through the Plan Change.

The NPS UDC *'is about recognising the national significance of:*

- (a) urban environments and the need to enable such environments to develop and change;*
- (b) providing sufficient development capacity to meet the needs of people and communities and future generations in urban environments.'*

Objectives and Policies of the NPS UDC that the Plan Change would be looking to implement include:

Objectives:

OA2: Urban environments that have sufficient opportunities for the development of housing and business land to meet demand, and which provide choices that will meet the needs of people and communities and future generations for a range of dwelling types and locations, working environments and places to locate businesses.

OC2: Local authorities adapt and respond to evidence about urban development, market activity and the social, economic, cultural and environmental wellbeing of people and communities and future generations, in a timely way.

Policies:

PC4: A local authority shall consider all practicable options available to it to provide sufficient development capacity and enable development to meet demand in the short, medium and long term, including:

- a) Changes to plans and regional policy statements, including to the zoning, objectives, policies, rules and overlays that apply in both existing urban environments and greenfield areas;*
- b) Integrated and coordinated consenting processes that facilitate development; and*
- c) Statutory tools and other methods available under other legislation.*

Under the NPS UDC the Council is identified as a Medium Growth District.

Information would need to be provided to the Minister to show how the Plan Change would help implement these Objectives and Policies. Justification would also need to be provided on why the District Plan needed to be changed.

Significant Community Need

As identified earlier, population growth is placing pressure on the supply of housing and the aspirational targets in the Housing Accord will become increasingly difficult to meet without more land being made available. In addition, the growth in the number of properties being let as Holiday Rental Accommodation (Book-a-Bach, Air BnB etc) is putting pressure on the housing stock, while homelessness is also a growing issue locally. We believe these factors, and the targets set out in the Housing Accord, provide the basis for recognising a significant community need.

Considerations for the Minister

Council would need to demonstrate that the use of the SPP was an appropriate and proportionate process for assessing the issue. We believe the following would be relevant considerations:

- Sites are already zoned as either Future Growth Areas (Hunt and Sumner blocks) or have a development plan to facilitate growth (Twin Oaks owned by Te Arawa Group Holdings);
- The area has been identified within Spatial Plan (and consulted on as part of this process);
- There will be difficulties in the longer term in meeting aspirational targets in Housing Accord without more greenfield land being available.
- There is an agreement in the Housing Accord that the Council will complete spatial planning and District Plan Changes including rezoning;
- There has been a high level of consultation undertaken – including work with land owners, regional council, iwi, the general public, and surrounding land owners (to varying degrees);
- Additional steps proposed in the Plan Change process are intended to ensure a robust process (see below).

Suggested Plan Change Steps should SPP be pursued:

Under the SPP, Council gets to recommend whether additional steps should be incorporated over and above the statutory minimums. (The statutory minimums are shown with a * in the list below). The suggested Plan Change approach is as follows:

- Minister Approves the use of the Streamlined Plan Change Process*
- Full public notification of Plan Change and ability for anyone to make a submissions*(note the statutory minimum of the Act differs slightly from this)
- Further submissions
- Pre-hearing meetings on primary issues of contention
- Hearing (including an Independent Hearing Commissioner)*
- Interim decision:
 - 10WDs for all submitters to provide feedback
 - Addressing planning provisions proposed/fine tuning, not re-addressing issues.
- Final Decision -> Minister*

It is considered important to include additional steps to ensure alternative views can be considered, and to provide the ability for issues to resolved prior to a hearing through Pre-Hearing Meetings. A final step of issuing an interim decision has been included to ensure that minor drafting issues or unintended consequences can be identified before a final decision is made.

It is worth stressing here that using the SPP removes Council's decision-making function in relation to the plan change. The RMA Policy Committee could still hear and make recommendations on the Plan Change. However, the Minister would make the final decision.

Is the proposed process 'appropriate and proportionate' given the likely issues?

The consultation undertaken to date has highlighted the following key concerns that are likely to be submitted on:

- Stormwater;
- Traffic;
- Urban Design; and
- Reverse Sensitivity.

Stormwater

In relation to stormwater, the site is above much of urban Rotorua, in a catchment that already has flooding issues (Riri Street, Sunset Road, Ford Road, Edmund Road). As such, ensuring appropriate understanding and assessment of stormwater flows is an important issue.

An assessment has been undertaken of the downstream flood risk by OPUS and peer reviewed by Tonkin and Taylor. As a result of these reports it has become clear that until modelling of the Greater Utuhina has been completed a full understanding of the impact on the downstream catchment is not possible. The Plan Change has addressed this risk through provisions that require modelling of the whole catchment to be undertaken prior to subdivision occurring, and that the risk for downstream urban areas is not increased.

The Regional Council have already initiated the modelling work and it is anticipated that this will be completed before the end of June⁵.

In addition, developers will also need stormwater discharge consents from the Bay of Plenty Regional Council⁶ which will require an assessment of water quality and quantity effects to be undertaken, and consideration of potentially affected persons.

Finally, Council is in the process of renewing the comprehensive stormwater discharge consents that it holds for the wider Utuhina catchment. To date, the application process has been approached on conservative design assumptions due to the lack of modelling data. Opportunities are being considered to enhance the application process with modelled data and to widen the scope of the application to include the Pukehangi Heights Development Area, thereby ensuring that issues are addressed on a comprehensive basis across the catchment and simplifying the future development consent process.

Given these other checks and balances available to ensure that downstream flood risks are appropriately managed it is considered that the SPP is an appropriate approach to use. However, this will be raised with the Regional Council staff on Monday and any issues reported back to Council.

Traffic

There are two issues that have arisen in relation to traffic:

- The impact on Matipo Avenue in terms of permanent and construction traffic including number of traffic movements, traffic safety, impact on the road pavement, and the implications of greater connectivity;
- Concerns in relation to the impact on the wider road network e.g. number of traffic movements on Sunset and Malfroy Roads.

⁵ Note, calibration of the model has the potential to result in delays.

⁶ Unless this is addressed through the Comprehensive Stormwater Consent.

In relation to the first issue, Matipo Avenue residents have already been to the Environment Court with concerns relating to traffic when the District Plan was reviewed (the Twin Oaks Development Plan). The residents do have a level of frustration at having to again be involved in these processes, regardless though the Matipo Avenue Residents Incorporated Society (MARIS) has been very constructive in providing feedback on the Plan Change.

What is currently proposed aligns with the discussions with MARIS, except they are not wanting a connection between Matipo Ave and the main development area above Matipo Ave. There is a reasonable possibility that submitters will seek an alternative approach to roading in the formal process.

In relation to the use of SPP, there is no ability for any party to appeal. This will mean that all parties need to present their best case at the hearing. The issues with roading are not highly technical. As such, the SPP should still enable views to fairly be heard and considered at the hearing.

The other issue raised in relation to roading is the impact on the wider network. The land is already identified for growth and the traffic report finds that the increase in volume is not showing up problems beyond those that exist today, with the exception of the signalised intersection of Malfroy and Old Taupo Road (the upgrade of this intersection is programmed in the Long Term Plan). Therefore, this issue does not appear to warrant appeal rights.

Urban Design

Concerns have been raised at the public/resident meetings regarding the density proposed within the Residential Areas. The density proposed is the same as elsewhere in the Residential Zone (450m²) with slightly different provisions; and an allowance for medium density development e.g. townhouses.

Again, the process proposed which enables submissions, further submissions (in certain circumstances), pre-hearing meetings, hearings with submitters presenting their case, interim decisions, recommendation and then approval by the Minister is considered appropriate for the issue.

Reverse Sensitivity

The potential for reverse sensitivity issues, specifically the proximity of residential areas to existing forestry and farming activities has also been raised. As above, the process is considered to provide appropriate opportunities for parties to raise these issues and have them considered.

Difference between SPP and standard Plan Change process:

The key differences are that with SPP:

- the Minister for the Environment needs to approve the use of the process and agrees the process steps including timeframes;
- there are no rights of appeal – for any party (including landowners);
- the Minister for the Environment – not Council – makes the final decision on the Plan Change.

Views on other Parties on the use of SPP:

To date we have discussed the use of the SPP (subject to Council approval) with Ngāti Kea and Ngāti Tuara, the Regional Council and the land owners of the three blocks. Formal comments have been received from Ngāti Kea and Ngāti Tuara who did not support the use of SPP as they expressed concerns that it was inconsistent with s6(e) of the RMA: *the relationship of Maori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral lands, water, sites, waahi tapu, and other Taonga.*

What is the difference in timeframes between the SPP and the standard Plan Change process.

The table below provides a staff estimate of the difference in timeframes. Issues often arise in these processes which can affect how long they take.

Step	SPP	Standard Plan Change
Pre-notification/Application to the Minister	4 – 10 weeks	0
Notification through to Hearing	7 months	7 months
Returned to Minister/Council for a decision	1 month	2 weeks to 1 month
Appeals	0	0 – 1.5 years
Estimated Total Time	9 – 10.5 moths	7.5 months – 2.15 years

Risks not accounted for above:

- the Minister may not approve the use of SPP (initial discussions have been had with MfE);
- the Minister may require additional consultation prior to notification.

**4. TE MATAPAKI ME NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA
DISCUSSION AND OPTIONS**

There are arguments for and against the use of the SPP – these are summarised in the tables below:

For:

	Why:	Other considerations
Shorter time to the provision of additional housing and reduced overall cost	This is only an advantage if the Plan Change is appealed. However an appeal can add significant time and cost to the process, delaying the rezoning.	Wider stormwater issues will still need to be resolved before subdivision consents can be issued or houses constructed. The provision of new housing will still be reliant on owners progressing subdivisions.
Focused Plan Change process	Parties cannot rely on an ability to appeal and as such will ensure appropriate resources are put into hearings.	

Against:

	Mitigation
No guarantee that the Minister will approve process	Staff have had initial discussions with MfE (limited discussion). Very similar to application approved for Hastings.

Public perception that participation rights are being removed/reduced.	There have been significant opportunities for public input over a number of years.
Risk of imperfect decision	Mitigated through: 1. Pre-notification background work and consultation; 2. Additional steps in proposed Plan Change process (e.g. Pre-Hearing meetings and interim decisions post recommendation); 3. Use of experienced Independent Hearing Commissioner alongside Council Hearing Commissioners.
No guarantee that Minister will approve Plan Change.	This risk that the final approver, whether that is Council or the Minister, exists with any Plan Change.
Time constraints	The Minister will require a fast process which will place pressure on all parties. If housing is a time critical issue then this is appropriate. It may increase costs for Council at the Hearing stage, but reduce them through absence of appeals. There is the ability under the Act to extend timeframes.

Given the importance of providing additional zoned land for housing, the opportunities for input the public have already had and will still have, the level of background work undertaken, and given the potential delays should the Plan Change be appealed, staff consider it would be appropriate to make a request to the Minister for the use the streamlined Plan Change process.

5. **TE TINO AROMATAWAI ASSESSMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The decisions or matters of this report are not considered significant in accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

6. **NGĀ KŌRERO O TE HAPORI ME TE WHAKATAIRANGA COMMUNITY INPUT/ENGAGEMENT AND PUBLICITY**

See discussion above on consultation and subsequent opportunities for public involvement.

7. **HE WHAIWHAKAARO CONSIDERATIONS**

7.1 **Mahere Pūtea Financial/budget considerations**

The cost of the Plan Change will be met from existing budgets. The use of the SPP has the potential to reduce the overall cost of the Plan Change process on the basis that any appeals would be avoided.

7.2 **Kaupapa Here me ngā Hiraunga Whakariterite Policy and planning implications**

The approach, which is intended to bring forward the zoning of residential land, is consistent with the Rotorua Spatial Plan, will help to achieve the aims of the Rotorua Housing Accord, and would help to implement the National Policy Statement on Urban Development Capacity.

7.3 Tūraru Risks

See discussion above.

7.4 Te Whaimana Authority

Council has authority to make the above decisions.

8. NGĀ ĀPITI HANGA ATTACHMENTS (IN STELLAR LIBRARY)

Attachment 1: Section 32 Evaluation Report (RDC-903282)

Attachment 2a: Plan Change provisions (RDC-903246) and

Attachment 2b: Structure Plan and RDC-903250)

Attachment 3: Landscape Assessment (RDC-903280)

Attachment 4: Stormwater Reports (to be circulated separately)

Attachment 5a & 5b: Geotechnical Assessments:

OPUS (RDC-903452)

GNS on Fault Traces (RDC-899667)

Attachment 6: Traffic Assessment (RDC-902571)

Attachment 7: Cultural Impact Assessment (to come end of March)

Attachment 8: Archaeological Assessment (to come end of March – Interim Assessment attached for information purposes RDC-892563)

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND (LGNZ) CONFERENCE 2019

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Report approved by: Geoff Williams, Chief Executive

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to determine which two councillors will attend the Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Conference 2019.

2. RECOMMENDATION 1:

- 1. That the report “Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Conference 2019” be received.**
- 2. That Council determines that and attend the 2019 Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) conference.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The LGNZ Conference 2019 will be held from 7 – 9 July 2019 in Wellington. The Annual General Meeting will be at 1.30pm on Sunday 7 July 2019.
- 3.2 Council’s policy on attendance at the annual LGNZ Conference (Attachment 1) is as follows:
 - Mayor
 - Deputy Mayor
 - Chief Executive
 - Two Councillors
 - One Te Tatau o Te Arawa member
- 3.3 Some current Councillors have had the opportunity to attend the conference in the past and a decision is required as to who will be the two council delegates for 2019.
- 3.4 The following table shows the councillors who attended the LGNZ conference for the period 2013 to 2016. Council had previously referred to this list to assist in making their decision:

Year	Councillor/s
2013	Cr McVicker and Cr Sturt
2014	Cr Bentley
2015	Held in Rotorua – all invited
2016	Cr Hunt and Cr Wepa

- 3.5 For the 2017 and 2018 LGNZ Conference, Council took a different approach – nominating councillors whose portfolios were strongly linked to the topics listed on the conference programme.

Year	Theme	Councillor/s
2017	Creating pathways to 2050: liveable spaces and loveable places	Cr Sturt and Cr Kumar
2018	We are firmly focussed on the future: future proofing for a prosperous and vibrant New Zealand.	Cr Raukawa-Tait and Cr Tapsell (Cr Maxwell also attended to receive an award for 'Outstanding Contribution to Local Government')
2019	Riding the localism wave: putting communities in charge	To be confirmed

4. DISCUSSION AND OPTIONS

- 4.1 In addition to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive, Council can nominate two councillors to attend the 2019 Local Government New Zealand Conference.
- 4.2 On 8 December 2016 Council reviewed and amended its "Conference Attendance for Elected Members Policy" to read "That for the annual LGNZ conference, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive, two councillors and a representative from the Te Tatau o Te Arawa Board attend as Council's delegates."
- 4.3 The Te Tatau o Te Arawa Board (TToTA) representative is to be nominated by the TToTA Board directly.
- 4.4 The theme of the LGNZ Conference 2019 is 'Riding the localism wave: putting communities in charge'. The programme is attached (Attachment 2).

5. ASSESSMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This matter does not trigger Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

6. COMMUNITY INPUT/ENGAGEMENT AND PUBLICITY

Consultation on this matter is not being undertaken as the policies that relate to this business case gives decision-making powers to Council.

7. CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 Financial/budget considerations

The full conference registration fee is \$1410 per person for early bird registrations, which close on 24 May 2019.

7.2 Risks

There are no major risks associated with the decisions or matters.

7.3 Authority

In accordance with the “Conference Attendance for Elected Members Policy” this business case may be approved by Council.

8. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Conference Attendance for Elected Members Policy

Attachment 2: Conference programme



5.4 CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS POLICY

Date Adopted	Next Review	Officer Responsible
8 December 2016	1 December 2019	Group Manager, Strategy and Partnerships

Policy Purpose:

To guide decision making in relation to elected members representation of council at conferences and professional development seminars.

Policy:

That for the annual LGNZ conference, the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive, two councillors and a representative from the Te Tatau o Te Arawa Board; attend as council's delegates.

All councillors will have the opportunity to attend sessions of their choice at Rotorua-based conferences.

Any proposed conference attendance outside of Rotorua needs to be supported by a business case that outlines the benefits of the event against the following criterion:

The conference/event must support council's vision, business objectives and aspirations for the future as encapsulated in the Long-term Plan, or

The conference/event must support council's current priorities and/or flagship projects.

The business case to be approved by a recommendation from the CE to council.

Generally travel costs of accompanying persons will not be paid for.

At the conclusion of the conference the elected representative is required to provide a written report to council.

Conference programme

Sunday 7 July 2019

9:30am **Registration desk open**
Barista coffee available at the Connect Lounge in the exhibition hall from 2.00pm
Kindly sponsored by Fonterra

10.00am **Council hosted tours**

- Laneway Discovery
- Craft Beer Tour
- Mountain biking Adventure
- Weta Studio Tour
- Hangi Lunch at Karaka Cafe (from 12.15pm)

Ticketed event.

10.30am **National Council meeting**
followed by lunch
Members only

11.00am **Young Elected Members catch up**
Members only

1.30pm **Local Government New Zealand AGM**
Members only
followed by a photo of Mayors and Chairs

3.30pm **Afternoon tea**

4.30pm **Powhiri and hui opening ceremony**
Justin Lester, Host Mayor, Wellington City Council

5.00pm **Government's address**

5.15pm **LGNZ President's address**
Dave Cull, President, LGNZ

5.30pm **Te Maruata address**
Cr Bonita Bigham, Chair, Te Maruata

5.40pm **Opening keynote**
Local leader to talk about Maori's view on localism
Hon Dame Tariana Turia, former Leader of the Maori Party

6.10pm **Welcome from Simpson Grierson**
Jonathan Salter, Partner, Simpson Grierson

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- 6.30pm **Simpson Grierson Welcome Reception**
Te Papa
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- 7.30pm -
10.30pm **Optional - Showcasing Wellington's progressiveness**
A progressive dinner at three of Wellington's renowned culinary establishments within Courtenay Place, the Laneways and Cuba St.
Ticketed event.

Monday 8 July 2019

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- 7.00am **Breakfast session**
[Lisa King](#), Founder, Eat My Lunch and social entrepreneur
Ticketed event. For further information [click here](#)
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- 7.30am **Registration desk open**
Barista coffee available
Kindly sponsored by Fonterra
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- 8.30am **Master of Ceremonies**
[Patrick Gower](#)
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- 8.35am **Localism: No.8 wire fixes to New Zealand's challenges**
Giving local people the power to make local decisions
Tania Tapsell, Councillor, Rotorua Lakes Council
[Dr Lance O'Sullivan](#), founder and chair of The MOKO Foundation
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- 9.30am **Localism - what's your natural advantage?**
Incentivising communities to take a more proactive approach to local development
Christopher Luxon, Chief Executive Officer, Air New Zealand
Kindly sponsored by NZ Transport Agency
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- 10.15am **Morning tea**
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- 11.00am **Climate change - a stitch in time**
Alternative thinking to mitigating and adapting to the changing climate.
John Mauro, Chief Sustainability Officer, Auckland Council
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- 11.45am **Leader of the Opposition's address**
The Leader of the Opposition will present his party's view on localism and response to LGNZ's localism discussion paper.

Hon Simon Bridges, Leader, National Party

12.00pm **'Zone of Origin' crocodile bike race**

12.30pm **Lunch**

1.15pm **Have you drunk the central government Kool-Aid?**
An ex-local government back bencher view on localism.

1.45pm **Minister of Local Government address**
Hon Nanaia Mahuta, Minister of Local Government

2.00pm **Housing and building in New Zealand - can we fix it?**
Ensuring our infrastructure is not just fit-for-purpose, but supports sustained improvement in the quality of life for all New Zealanders, now and into the future.
Justin Lester, Mayor, Wellington City Council
Adrian Orr, Governor, Reserve Bank of New Zealand
Kindly sponsored by Chorus

2.30pm **Afternoon tea**

2.45pm **Walkshops**
Wananga hiko
Delegates choose one workshop tour to attend
Social well-being
- Housing affordability: Making it happen
Economic well-being
- Transforming the way local government works digitally
Environmental well-being
- Bringing back our native flora and fauna
Cultural well-being
- What the arts and cultural well-being means for communities
For further information [click here](#)

4.45pm **End of conference day**

6.45pm **Conference dinner and LGNZ EXCELLENCE Awards**
TSB Bank Arena
Ticketed event.

Tuesday 9 July 2019

8.00am **Registration desk open**
Barista coffee available
Kindly sponsored by Fonterra

9.00am **Master of Ceremonies**
Patrick Gower

9.15am **Managing fresh water - best practice, breakthroughs in innovation and barriers**
We all have a role to play - the government, the farming sector, the businesses who use freshwater, communities and individuals - and if we all work together we can make a big difference.
Doug Leeder, Chair, LGNZ Regional Group
Terry Copeland, Chief Executive, Federated Farmers
Kindly sponsored by GHD

10.00am **Morning tea**

10.45am **Out of the Shadows**
Raising awareness of, and community support for, a greater investment in your community's cultural and natural heritage.
Natalie Palmer, Communication and Engagement Manager, Hamilton City Council
2018 Fulton Hogan EXCELLENCE Award for Community Engagement recipient - Out of the Shadows: Bringing Waipa's heritage to life.

11.30am **Creating change: Inspiring leadership in local communities**
Leadership in our communities
Colin D Ellis

12.15pm **Early bird registration prize draw**
Kindly sponsored by New Zealand Motor Caravan Association

12.20pm **Poroporoaki | Closing ceremony**

12.30pm **Lunch**

1.30pm -
3.30pm **Member meetings (*Members only*)**

- Mayors Taskforce for Jobs AGM
- Regional Sector meeting
- Young Elected Members meeting