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Ngāti Pikiao submission point to BOPRC Long Term Plan

Re Pilot project to support Pikiao effectiveness and capability development in environmental policy and management

Introduction

Ngati Pikiao has a deep connection with, respect for and hold an important role as Katiaki for the natural resources within our rohe. We acknowledge over recent decades that the pressures and challenges on natural resources have grown significantly, and, as such, greater focus, dialogue and collaboration is required to address these challenges. It is from this perspective that we are interested in how we best work with local government and other stakeholders in our rohe to ensure the protection and sustainable use of natural resources in to the future.

This submission point encourages BOPRC to consider a collaborative pilot project with Ngati Pikiao to understand, explore and realise better ways for Ngati Pikiao and BOPRC (and other local/ central government bodies) to work collaboratively and across the multiple whanau, marae, hapu, organisations within Ngati Pikiao. The overarching purpose of the project is to:

- strengthen our collective capability, resourcing and effectiveness in supporting natural resource management in our rohe.
- establish clear strategies and plans to guide Ngati Pikiao's contribution to environmental sustainability and our relationship with external stakeholders
- strengthen the relationship (at both a governance and operational level) between Ngati Pikiao, BOPRC and other key stakeholders with the view of creating greater alignment and collaboration that accelerates priority environmental policy/ projects

Request of BOPRC and Initial Scope of Pilot Project

Ngati Pikiao seeks the opportunity to undertake a pilot project with BOPRC to achieve the purpose above (among other things that may arise through our discussions). We believe this is a strategic opportunity for BOPRC to consider and address common strategic challenges across the BOPRC and iwi space, the learnings from which could assist other iwi and BOPRC relationships across the region. Dependant on the final scope of the pilot project Ngati Pikiao will be seeking:

- a financial contribution towards resourcing of the project,
- access to data and information relevant to our rohe
- engagement with BOPRC at both political and operational levels



Whilst a potential pilot project requires further discussion between BOPRC and Ngati Pikiao, we have identified the following points as initial considerations for the pilot project (note these should be read within the context of the strategic context section below).

1. **Updating the Ngati Pikiao environmental management plan.** This will provide a foundational information to inform other aspects of the project and will incorporate:
 - a. a new approach from Ngati Pikiao to better reflect our growing knowledge and complexities of our operating environment/ stakeholder landscape and how to best achieve a co-ordinated/ collaborative approach to working with BOPRC
 - b. considering the role of various Pikiao entities and how they contribute to collective environmental strategies and projects
 - c. the role and views of hapu and marae
 - d. provide a current state of the environment report that integrates both western science and Maturanga Maori
 - e. ensures an ongoing relationships and supporting processes/ systems to ensure the EMP is drives positive environmental outcomes
2. **Establishing a customised environmental data portal and tool to inform Ngati Pikiao environmental planning and projects.** This process will include:
 - a. accessing and customising BOPRC's environmental data so it meaningful from an iwi perspective.
 - b. considering how Maturanga Maori data and information can be stored and analysed by Ngati Pikiao
3. **Exploring how Ngati Pikiao can improve our capability and capacity to contribute to environmental outcomes within our rohe.**
4. **Exploring how Ngati Pikiao collaborates and connects with other Te Arawa organisations to contribute to collective environmental challenges and opportunities**
5. **Establishing a Mana Whakahono agreement with BOPRC.** This will be informed by the work above and be underpinned by the desire to establish a meaningful partnership with BOPRC and alignment of effort to achieve a greater collective impact.



Strategic Context

Natural Resources within Ngati Pikiao rohe

Ngati Pikiao is fortunate to have maintained a strong connection and interest in natural resources within our rohe. The following provides a snapshot of our interests in natural resources:

- 30,000 hectares of Maori land held by over 300 land trusts and incorporations (this represents approximately half of all the Maori land within the Rotorua District)
- 3 major lakes Rotoiti, Rotoehu, Rotoma and several smaller lakes
- Okere and Kaituna river
- Ohau channel
- Numerous streams that feed lakes Rotoit, Rotoehu and Rotoma
- Geothermal springs (e.g. Waitangi Soda Springs and Manupirua hot springs) surface features and significant underground geothermal fields
- Circa 10,000 hectares of conservation and whenua rahui land
- Numerous sites of biodiversity significance
- Numerous sites of cultural significance

Ngati Pikiao hapu, organisations and interests in natural resources

Ngati Pikiao is one of the iwi that make up the Te Arawa confederation of tribes. Within Ngati Pikiao are several hapu (sub-tribes) that hold interests in various natural resources throughout our rohe. Furthermore, there are a plethora of contemporary organisations that also hold interests in various natural resources. At a high level, Ngati Pikiao comprises over 100 organisations and groups that hold an interest in the protection and sustainable use of natural resources. The following table provides a snapshot of these organisations and their interests in natural resources.

	Organisation/ Grouping	Natural Resource interests
1	Ngati Pikiao Iwi Trust, represents Ngati Pikiao's interest deriving from the Te Pumautanga o Te Arawa treaty settlement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandated iwi authority for Ngati Pikiao • Statutory acknowledgements, representation in relevant co-governance forums (e.g. Te Maru o Kaituna) • Supporting Ngati Pikiao organisations and groups in • Supporting the holistic development (cultural, social, environmental, economic) of Ngati Pikiao whanau and hapu



2	300+ Ngati Pikiao affiliated Land trusts and incorporations. This comprises some 300 individual land parcels and governing groups that manage the land on behalf of beneficial owners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30,000 hectares of land surrounding lakes Rotoiti, Rotoehu, Rotoma. • Parcels of native vegetation on Maori land, including some DoC administered land and whenua rahui covenants • Supporting whanau and hapu/ iwi based volunteer groups to undertake environmental projects • Streams and springs on or through trust's property • Sustainable development of land and other natural resources
3	12 Ngati Pikiao marae, representing the various hapu and whanau within Ngati Pikiao.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land and biodiversity on Marae reservations • Providing a mana whenua view on natural resource management within hapu areas of interest • Preserving and strengthening cultural traditions in terms of protection and utilisation of natural resources • Supporting whanau and / iwi based volunteer groups to undertake environmental projects
4	Ngati Pikiao ahi kaa, comprises the 400+ whanau members that live within our traditional rohe and are involved at a ground level in maintaining Ngati Pikiao identity and interests.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest in localised/ specific environmental challenges • Interest in the involvement of ahi kaa people in environmental work and projects within our rohe
5	Te Runanga o Ngati Pikiao – established to support the holistic wellbeing of Ngati Pikiao, although largely focused on supporting the health and educational wellbeing of Ngati Pikiao	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest in the connection between a healthy environment and the health of our people, culture and traditions
6	Department of Conservation boards – e.g. Rotoiti and Rotoma scenic reserves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest in the biodiversity of DoC administered lands



Ngati Pikiao Challenges, Opportunities and Aspirations in terms of natural resource protection and development

Ngati Pikiao believe in the importance of fulfilling our obligations as kaitiaki of natural resources within our rohe. We appreciate that the wellbeing of our people, culture and traditions is inextricably linked to the wellbeing of our environment. Furthermore, we believe katiakitanga is a shared responsibility, both amongst the various groups that make up Ngati Pikiao and also the external stakeholders such as local/ central government and private land owners and businesses within our rohe. The following outlines key challenges, opportunities and aspirations in terms of natural resources within our rohe, and, we believe these are common to all stakeholders within an interest in natural resources within our rohe.

Key challenges

- Significant pressures on water quality
- Significant pressures on the biodiversity of native flora, fauna and species from pest animals and plants
- Multiple organisations with various interests in natural resources
- Local government tends to focus on consultation and relationships with iwi authorities/ settlement entities despite the fact that other entities may have a greater interest
- Lack of resources and capability for hapu/ iwi to engage effectively in natural resource management advocacy, projects and policy
- Lack of access and customised analysis of data and information regarding natural resources in our rohe and from a Maturanga Maori perspective
- Consultation fatigue – many organisations are struggling to respond to consultation documents from various Councils and central government agencies, coupled alongside our own obligations to consult and engage with our people
- Lack of resources, capability and capability to respond to resource consent matters

Key Opportunities and Aspirations

The following provides a snapshot of the opportunities we believe will strengthen our involvement and efficacy in supporting environmental sustainability within our rohe.

- Developing a more collaborative and co-ordinated approach in terms of Ngati Pikiao's involvement and action on natural resource matters
- Developing the capability and capacity of Ngati Pikiao to engage effectively in natural resource management across political, operational, regulatory and on the ground projects to support environmental sustainability



- Developing tools and resources to assist Ngati Pikiao to better understand the state of our environment and subsequently improve the efficacy of our involvement and advocacy. This includes access and analysis of western science as well as Maturanga Maori.
- Developing robust Iwi strategies and environmental management plans to guide our interaction with BOPRC and other stakeholders, and to provide a platform to explore alignment and collaboration between Ngati Pikiao and other stakeholders
- Mobilising volunteer capability and capacity of Ngati Pikiao people to contribute to improved environmental sustainability
- Mobilising Ngati Pikiao's financial, human and cultural capital to assist with environmental sustainability

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Hi Jane,my wife and I are pensioners who live on the corner of Welcome Bay Road and Asher Road,have done so since 1968. I have to admit that the Transport Rate charge of \$62.05 really seems unfair,we are respectively just over and just under 80 and consequently would find the walk to our closest bus stop at Ranginui Road a bit beyond us. I thought as time went by Council would take steps to extend the service to rural areas but no sign of this. I think a charge for a specific service should only be charged if that service is reasonably available,to us it is absolutely useless. Would the Council consider deleting this charge for ratepayers that do not have the service reasonablyavailable. Regards,Pat Jones.

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Hi there, I received a letter from BOPRC regarding new charges. I have reviewed your proposals. I don't like the huge increase in charges. I currently pay \$365 for my geothermal bore, and for 2018/2019 you want to charge me \$475. That is a whopping increase of 24 per cent. That is unfair. I recognise the good work that the BOPRC does, but an increase of 24 per cent is unjustified. I am happy to pay an increase of 10 percent which is 4 times inflation. Please could you add my view to the consultation process. Thank you.

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Submission on 'Today, Tomorrow, Together

By

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Many people are struggling to make ends meet, so rate increases need to be kept to a minimum. The option of moving from property-based rate to an income-based rate should be considered.

Topic 1

Of the two options presented, I prefer Option 2. However, there are other options that should be considered.

I consider that the costs should be spread more evenly across the whole region with a greater proportion of the costs coming from general rates. It seems that there is an unfair burden on some communities.

Carrying out the work over a longer time frame would also ease the rates burden.

Longer-term, the role of flood plains in nature needs to be taken into account. Further disasters would be mitigated by minimising the future spread of urban development on the flood-plains.

Topic 2

I think that bus services should move to being self-funding and not subsidised by rates.

Topic 3

Biosecurity is particularly important and it is probably cheaper in the long-run to contain and eradicate new pests while they are at a low level. I support increasing funding on biosecurity. Option 3 would be nice but that may be too much of a burden on ratepayers. Perhaps a budget half way between options 2 and 3 would be feasible. Topic 4

I support Option 2.

Topic 5

I support Option 3.

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To the Bay of Plenty Regional Council

Submission to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council Long Term Plan

In anticipation of the opening of the new tertiary campus in the Tauranga CBD in 2019, the University of Waikato in collaboration with Toi Ohomai is exploring ways to improve access to tertiary options in Tauranga for communities across the wider Bay of Plenty.

In particular, we would appreciate the Regional Council's consideration of providing additional bus services to support transport of students from Whakatāne, Kawerau, Rotorua and Murupara to our Tauranga-based campuses. If such a service was possible, we would consider investing in these services to provide students with a heavily subsidised fare that removes one significant barrier for access to tertiary education for students and communities across the Bay of Plenty.

We have a similar model that is running successfully across the Waikato region to our Hamilton-based campus, and the University is keen to bring a similar service to Tauranga and the Bay of Plenty.

Many thanks for your consideration and I look forward to your advice.

I do not wish to present my submission to the Regional Council during hearings.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alister Jones', written over a printed name and title.

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Submission on Today, Tomorrow Together

Bay of Plenty Regional Council Long Term Plan 2018-28

TCHT -Tauranga Community Housing Trust (operating as Tawanui Community Housing in both Tauranga and Whakatane) supports the Vision of Thriving Together and commends the general strategic directions of ensuring that the environment and people thrive . We wish to again remind you of the significant barrier to the well being of up to a third of our people living in the Bay of Plenty region through inadequate, overcrowded, unhealthy or unaffordable housing. The issues and the contributing factors are well known to all Councillors and staff, but we can supply more data if necessary. Recent reports all provide valuable data and offer recommendations for addressing this growing inequality and quality of life in many of our communities

As in earlier years we strongly urge you to undertake a feasibility study and pilot funding into how best the Regional Council can contribute to remedying this serious housing situation in our region. Research shows the direct adverse effects of unsatisfactory housing on lower income families or individuals who are being faced with increasingly unaffordable rents or costs of buying their home. An increasing proportion are older people who now cannot afford suitable accommodation, as National Superannuation has been set on the assumption that most own their own place by the time they reach retirement. We note that the Waikato Regional Council has a special section in their LIP on supporting sustainable and healthy homes.

This high profile issue is being exacerbated in Tauranga by the population increase, external investors driving up demand and also the anticipated Tertiary expansion. New facilities require places for those involved to live. Already students find the pool of affordable city accommodation is decreasing, and as a major funder of this Tertiary development we suggest that parallel support by the Regional Council for extra low cost accommodation is also essential. Tertiary education enrolment is often determined by where the student can find a satisfactory place to live

A thriving economy cannot be achieved if up to half the population are now being forced into rentals — many of which are unsatisfactory, short term or overcrowded, as they cannot achieve home ownership in our area.

Recent MSD statistics for BOP have been widely circulated and reflect the current crisis.

Homelessness(ie defined as those living in unsatisfactory housing arrangements) is now recognised as a major issue for all community and local and central government leaders. TCHT recommends that you review your "hands off" approach and Council incorporates new policy

and a project funding stream into this year's LTP. We are aware that tangata whenua groups and social service providers throughout the region share our concern, and many look to the Regional Council to show leadership and innovation in exploring a range of possible solutions that would help meet our shared vision of "Thriving Together",

The many examples of desperate circumstances that TCHT and others struggle to address every day prove that until housing problems are collectively addressed, many in our communities will continue to urge you to refocus some of your budget and work priorities. Your predicted extra investment income as a specific affordable housing assistance fund would show that the wellbeing of people is being recognised as well as a healthy environment as key concerns

Safe and Resilient Communities is a commendable Outcome which should incorporate the above social and economic aspects of our communities. Unfortunately the objectives you list do not support this aspect. Yes, we know that hazards and risks must be managed, but what is being done within your LTP to recognise the social upheaval caused to our families when they are left homeless, as occurred in the Edgumbe district after flooding?

Similarly, A Vibrant Region is strongly supported. However again the Objectives do not reflect the top concerns recently listed in the new Vital Signs report. A good public transport system is not highest priority benefit for those who cannot afford to live within our Region. increased housing supply and reducing inequality in a growth areas. Your Regional Council has the resources to collaborate and work with Central and Local Government throughout the Region as well as Community or Commercial housing providers to incentivise this through one new funding line in your Financial Plan area of the LTP and a new Objective listed below "we work with and connect the right people to create a prosperous region and economy"

This could be along the lines of "we invest appropriately in infrastructure and other partnerships to support sustainable development and well housed people in our Region. "

Thank you, and TCHT wishes to speak to this submission



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(Politely request personal details are not made public)

Dear Councillors,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.

This submission offers comment on two topics, Topic One (Rivers and Drainage Flood Recovery Project) and Topic Four (Emergency Management).

I note by way of disclosure, that I am a current employee of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council and specifically Emergency Management Bay of Plenty. My experience and background has informed this submission, however write it as an individual and the ideas expressed are my own.

My submission reflects an emergency management perspective.

Topic One: Managing the flood repairs from the April 2017 floods in the eastern Bay of Plenty

The consultation document states: "The question is how quickly the repairs can be completed and whether the costs should be passed on to ratepayers as they arise, through large increases over the first two years of the Long Term Plan, or whether we should borrow money".

I am in support of Option One; funding the repairs as they are conducted, and immediately passing the cost onto ratepayers via a targeted rate increase.

I think that Option One presents an opportunity to raise our communities' awareness of the risks they are exposed to. The benefits of which are perhaps best acknowledged by the Bay of Plenty Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan 2012-2017 vision statement; "A resilient Bay of Plenty: communities understanding and managing their risks".

I feel that an obvious (and I acknowledge in some cases significant) targeted rate increase would increase our communities' awareness of the risk, increase awareness of the risk reduction measures that have been implemented, and would help in generating community-level conversation about what risk people are willing to tolerate.

I believe this increased awareness and conversation (not just among policy makers but among those ultimately affected) would help set the conditions for increased community resilience.

And looking further forward, as difficult discussions regarding the management of climate-induced impacts are set to occur, a risk-informed community would be well placed to offer considered and informed input.

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I do appreciate that a targeted rates increase is a somewhat blunt method of increasing awareness and generating discussion. (I also acknowledge that I will not be directly impacted by this increase). However, I genuinely believe from an emergency management perspective, that an immediate targeted rates increase is a better option than the diluted awareness and impact that would occur should the final financial cost of repairs be spread over the proposed ten years,

I was heavily involved in the response to the April 2017 flooding, and was told (anecdotally) that some Edgumbe residents had never considered the risk of living beneath a stop bank. I think Option One can help increase the level of conversation about risk and risk reduction measures. And I think our communities will ultimately benefit from this.

Topic Four: Funding of region-wide Civil Defence Emergency Management services

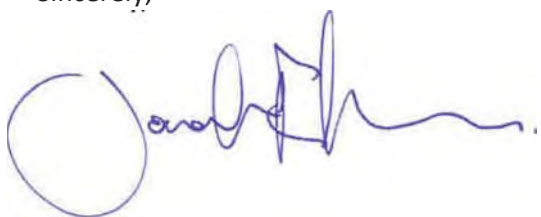
I am in support of Option Two; change funding to a targeted rate for region-wide Civil Defence Emergency Management services.

I concur with the consultation documents' sentiments in that a targeted rate will provide for some clarity and transparency on what is spent on Civil Defence Emergency Management activities.

In a similar vein to my previous comments I feel that a targeted rate would help increase the awareness of, and interest in, Civil Defence Emergency Management activities. I think an increased awareness of the Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery activities that are undertaken under the Civil Defence Emergency Management umbrella, will ultimately help our communities become more resilient.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit. I have raised all relevant points and I am not requesting to be heard in person. I would however, politely request acknowledgement that my submission has been considered.

Sincerely,



Jono Meldrum
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Hi I understand that I have missed the deadline for making a submission, however I would like to still be able to put forward a request to present to Regional Council on behalf of Edgecumbe Communities newly established Community Plan. Which has been developed as a direct result of the breach of the river in Edgecumbe. My current role is Coordinator for Edgecumbe Community Plan and I am under the umbrella of the Project Recovery Team. I look forward to hearing back from you to confirm if this request can be accepted.

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Tanners Point Residents and Ratepayers Association Inc



18 March 2018

Bay Of Plenty District Council

2018 District Plan

Dear Sir/Madam

We wish to submit on the issue of erosion at Tanners Point in the area at the end of Moana Dr and that plans to deal with this issue be included in the district plan.

Erosion of the area at the end of Moana Dr. has been ongoing over many years but recent storms with tidal surges have accelerated the process. The toe of the bank has been continuously undercut resulting in progressive subsidence of the soft rock, ancient midden and spoil above.

If the process is not checked the reserve above (and access to the reserve on the point) will eventually be compromised.

We submit that that measures to protect the toe of the bank will be cost effective compared to potentially major engineering works required once the erosion has progressed.

Possible measures proposed by the community include the use of hay bales fixed to the rock or the use of steel mesh baskets (rock filled) . The installation of steel mesh baskets would seem to offer the most durable solution.

Yours faithfully,

RJ Cameron

on behalf of Tanners Point Residents and Ratepayers Assoc

cc WBOPDC

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19/03/18

The CEO
Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Tauranga

Dear Mary Anne,

Thank you for allowing Coastguard Eastern Region (CER) to submit to the LTP of BOP Regional Council 2018-2028

OVERVIEW:

CER is affiliated to The Royal New Zealand Coast Guard (CNZ). Our Patron is HRH Prince Charles

Our role nationally is to save lives, at sea, on lakes, in rivers and streams throughout the entire Country

Nationally we have 61 voluntary units operating the entire length and breadth of New Zealand, we have approx. 2062 volunteers with total voluntary hours of 281,231 hours PA.

At an operational level CNZ is split into 4 regions namely: Northern Coastguard (CNR), Eastern Coastguard (CER), Central Coastguard (CCR) and Southern Coastguard (CSR)

CER operates and looks after 14 units in our region namely; Whitianga, Tairua/Pauanui, Rotorua Lakes, Taupo, Turangi, Hawkes Bay, Gisborne, Waihou Bay, Opotiki, Whakatane, Maketu, Tauranga, Waihi Beach, Whangamata and CER Communications Centre.

CER has over 500 volunteers who contribute 68,897 volunteer hours to this region PA.

The 15 units collectively operate a 24/7 Search and Rescue service that has resulted in approx. 230 persons rescued off the water in our region in the past 12 months.

All of the CER units offer a subscription for members to sign up annually, across CER we have over 5,000 members. The use of philanthropic grants, subs and donations assist in the annual operations of all our units. A portion of the annual subs fund CER HQ.

Your Maritime division within Council that is under the control of the Harbour Master is about pollution control, safety and navigation on our waters. Coastguard is Search and Rescue (SAR) and we coordinate closely with NZ Police, Land SARs, RCCNZ and Rescue Helicopters.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION:

We would like Bay of Plenty Regional Council to lease to CER, 3 used utility vehicles that are due to be sold.

We see the lease being at peppercorn rental/conditions similar to the arrangement that RC has with Tauranga Moana Iwi for the use of the former BOPRC patrol boat Taniwha. CER would assume all running costs of each vehicle and after every 4 years, could we get updated models

CER has 3 FTE paid staff for which the vehicles would be used to assist the 14 units across the Bay with training of crews, skippers, education of public and all health and safety aspects to keep operational crews safe on the water. The vehicles would be required to tow small boats and our educational caravans.

In recent times CER have been developing a team of people who have had training, demonstrated skills and have acquired a range of experience in fitting into and running Incident Management Teams. We refer to them as ICP or Incident Control Point teams. It has become clear that with the frequency that Coastguard need to establish an ICP to fit into the IMT structure of Police and RCCN, we have become rather proficient at dealing with complex incident management and coordinating various assets, resources and organisations. It is likely that this could add value to the emergency management capacity of the Regional Councils in the area.

While we appreciate the support that the BOP RC can and have offered CER we are also interested in exploring ways that we can lend assistance if you even have a need.

We would emblazon each vehicle with NZ Coastguard logos and BOP RC logos.

In the event of Maritime/Civil Defence needs, we would certainly assist with personnel, vehicles and equipment.

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21 March 2018

The Chief Executive

Bay of Plenty Regional Council

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Whakatāne

Ngati Marukukere submission to the Long Term Plan 2018 - 2028



Tena koutou katoa - Toi Moana Bay of Plenty,

Ngati Marukukere o Tapuika, make the following submission to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council regarding the proposed Long Term Plan 2018 – 2028 with specific consideration to matters associated to the Kaituna River.

We support the following projects and any additional funding that would ensure their success:

- a. Kaituna River Re-diversion project and Maketū Estuary Enhancement Project;
- b. Te Pourepo o Kaituna Project; to further wetland creation.
- c. Rivers and Drainage Flood Recovery Projects;
- d. Regional Policy Statement Change to recognise and provide for the Kaituna River Document; and, Plan Change 12 Kaituna Water Management Area (implementation of the National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management).

Naku noa na

Ngati Marukukere

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Chairman Trustee G.N. Rice.

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Submission of the Rotorua Lakes Council on the Bay of Plenty Regional Council consultation document for the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan

Introduction

Congratulations on releasing your consultation document (CD) today, tomorrow, together for public feedback.

We commend the easy to read format hope this will encourage greater engagement and submissions on the activities of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council (BOPRC).

Our organisation is mindful of the importance of the relationship between BOPRC and Rotorua Lakes Council (RLC) and RLC appreciates the need to continue to work together on matters of common interest.

In this submission Rotorua Lakes Council (RLC) has identified several key themes/issues from your document and provided a relevant commentary of its respective positions and observations. What then follow are recommendations from RLC to be considered. RLC would also like to signal a desire to speak to this submission during your consultation hearing process.

Overview

This submission is supported by the following base statements of Rotorua Lakes Council.

RLC is extremely supportive of the important functions BOPRC provides around water quality, air quality and for the geothermal management and provision of public transport.

The Bay of Plenty catchment area is broken down into at least three distinct economic, social and environmental areas (western, Rotorua/central and eastern). RLC believes it would have enhanced consultation and engagement with these areas if you had augmented your CD with a more specific summary for each area. This is particularly important when significant reliance is placed on separate targeted rates for key projects and initiatives.

Getting the direction right

RLC acknowledges that BOPRC are developing this LTP and operating in a very different climate the previous one. Local Government is facing challenging times with pressures and challenges from natural hazards and funding restraints.

Because of these pressures RLC is firmly of the belief that BOPRC needs to clearly focus itself around its core functions and activities.

The RLC is concerned with:

- Increasing demands and requirement on core BOPRC services e.g. Lakes water quality including infrastructure development to protect lakes, land use rules, air quality and public transport.

- Whilst focusing on core activities and continuing levels of service, work continue on the appropriate funding mix to make rates sustainable and increases in rates financially viable for the ratepayers in our district.

Overall rates increases for the region and rate increases for the Rotorua Lakes area

It was not evident in the BOPRC CD what the Rotorua district or sub-areas might expect in terms of rates rises during the next few years. The document only compares rates in 2017/18 to 2018/19 for the annual average by median property which indicated a \$32 rise in the general rate for Rotorua. The graph on the opposite page only shows the possible spread by property size. In addition to that there is no rates calculator on your website so that residents may look up what their proposed increases might be. This seems to go against what you are aiming to do in a number of your options by aiming to move funding from general to targeted rates for a more even spread of users paying for levels of service rather than it be funded by the whole base. Rather than even the distribution it seems that this has further increased costs to the ratepayer overall year on year for the next three years. These increases will put further pressures on our community and we question the sustainability of these.

In addition the preferred option scenario nearly doubles the targeted rate for transport for Rotorua with no clear indication within the CD as to what they increase will mean in terms of improvements in public transport for Rotorua.

RLC feels that BOPRC should be focusing on reasonable rate rises that are sustainable for this community.

Recommendation 1

RLC requests that BOPRC consider its overall spending with a view to reducing the proposed rate increase substantially for the general rate and review the content of projects in the targeted rate areas. The signalled rates rise necessitates a further look into core versus discretionary activity spending.

Preparing for climate change

RLC supports 100 year horizon for development planning advice and raising awareness.

Managing Flood Protection and Control

1.1 Kaituna Scheme

(a) Utuhina Stream

RLC supports the inclusion of funding in the Asset Management Plan, and LTP for bringing the Utuhina Flood Protection Scheme up to the stated standard of providing protection from the 1% AEP flood. RLC wishes to be involved in the modelling required to determine design parameters for the construction of the system to protect against the design event. In particular RLC would like to include the following in the system design:

Allowance for urban area as defined in the District Plan plus additional areas as set out in the RLC Spatial Plan 2017.

Allowance for climate change as set out in the RLC design standards. BOPRC climate change policy will also cover this requirement.

1.2 Other Kaituna Scheme Streams

(a) Ngongotaha Stream

It is noted that the Asset Management Plan provides protection from the 1% AEP event up to the Ngongotaha Road bridge only. Above the bridge there is considerable urban development which has some vulnerability to major storm events. RLC would like to work with BOPRC to determine the extent of this risk and if required consider an extension to the scheme flood protection boundaries. It is noted that some of this residential development existed prior to original scheme approval. There has however been development in potentially flood prone areas since that time, and with climate change, risk has been increased. RLC would like to address this issue in conjunction with BOPRC, and seek long term sustainable solutions for inclusion in future LTP's.

(b) Waiwhero, Waiteti and Puarenga

No further flood protection works are understood to be necessary on these streams, as noted in the Asset Management Plan, however RLC would like to see them modelled within a reasonable timeframe. They do accept some urban stormwater and modelling will provide boundary conditions for design of urban stormwater systems and confirm waterway requirements for maintenance purposes. The priority would be the Waiwhero which has the most significant stormwater discharges, and could impact on a significant urban area. The other streams convey minor stormwater inputs. Modelling will also confirm as to any risk these streams could have on the built environment.

(c) Gisborne Point

It is noted in the Asset Management Plan that Gisborne Point systems have not assessed but also noted that the area meets scheme standards. Given that the Gisborne Point settlement is built on a debris fan with the ephemeral stream discharging from the upper catchment at the crest of the fan there could be a risk here particularly with climate change that a major event impacts on the area. While it's noted that no surface discharge from the ephemeral stream has occurred for many years it should be given consideration for an assessment.

1.3 Maintenance

RLC requests that maintenance be given a higher priority. Some of the channels have considerable growth of willows and other vegetation that is a risk to bank stability and reduction in efficiency to convey flood flows. The urban streams have considerable local amenity value and are an important feature of the Rotorua environment. They also have considerable cultural significance to Maori.

Some of the channels are overgrown with exotic vegetation and RLC would like to see a programme to manage the channels more effectively as has been done on the lower reaches of the Utuhina and Ngongotaha Streams. RLC and the community, assisted in programmes to restore these sections of streams and we would envisage a community type effort for the management of the streams but the Regional Council as the entity responsible for the streams needs to take the lead role with regard to maintenance.

1.4 Design Guidelines

There is one aspect of the BOPRC design guidelines that causes RLC significant concern. This is the requirement to restrict flows from new developments to 80% of pre-development levels. In some cases this is not practical, its effect is minor and is becoming a constraint on development which the District is trying to promote.

In considering the overall stormwater catchments in Rotorua especially around our developing urban areas, there is roughly 50/50 contribution of stormwater from undeveloped and urban sub-catchments. The drainage systems (streams/rivers) managed by BOPRC have a significant design capacity. If this capacity is maintained reliably at stated design levels there is very little or negligible impact from the Rotorua Lakes Council's spatial plan aspirations. In any event below the 1% AEP the stormwater contribution from proposed development areas is easily catered by the system capacity. For events above the 1% AEP the impacts are negligible in the context of such an event

The rule also shifts costs onto developers, or their clients who are also paying a rate to BOPRC for the Kaituna Scheme that is meant to provide the stated level of service. In effect developers pay twice for achieving run-off less than a natural level and again for a flood protection scheme.

RLC supports low impact methods of stormwater disposal and implements on where they are technically feasible and demonstrably effective. There are however many areas eg: high water tables on slopes etc where achieving a lower run-off than occurs naturally is simply not a practical option and a far more efficient outcome overall is to allow that run-off to occur and provide flood protection via the scheme standards. The current guideline is used more like a restrictive rule and it is placing considerable constraints on developments and costs to the community and RLC.

1.5 Scheme Funding

Rotorua District residents contribute via a targeted rate some \$700,000 pa. to the Kaituna Scheme, however only a portion of this gets expended on the Upper Kaituna component of the scheme. This does seem inequitable given that the lower part of the scheme is not really affected by flows from the Upper Area given the attenuation of discharge by two major lakes and further control with a structure. The point is that funding is available for the scheme aspects RLC would like to see advanced.

Recommendation 2

RLC supports the inclusion of funding in the Asset Management Plan, and LTP for bringing the Utuhina Flood Protection Scheme up to the stated standard of providing protection from the 1% AEP flood.

Recommendation 3

In relation to the Ngongotaha stream, RLC would like to work with BOPRC to determine the extent of this risk and if required consider an extension to the scheme flood protection boundaries.

Recommendation 4

Waiwhero, Waiteti and Puarenga streams, do accept some urban stormwater and modelling will provide boundary conditions for design of urban stormwater systems and confirm waterway requirements for maintenance purposes, RLC would like to see them modelled within a reasonable timeframe.

Recommendation 5

Gisborne Point systems should be given consideration for an assessment.

Recommendations 6

RLC requests that maintenance be given a higher priority. Some of the channels are overgrown with exotic vegetation and RLC would like to see a programme to manage the channels more effectively as has been done on the lower reaches of the Utuhina and Ngongotaha Streams.

Rivers Drainage and Flood Recovery

RLC support the identified repairs being carried out as soon as possible. We support the identified repairs being carried out as soon as possible in a way that is most affordable for the rate payer.

Public Transport

Without being given details on whether all of Rotorua would pay a targeted rate (including areas without a bus service), and without knowing how much the general funds contribution to public transport is at the moment it is hard to be able to make an informed choice.

In addition by implementing the proposed option to increase the targeted rate portion for Rotorua would actually mean an overall increase for Rotorua. Given that the general rate is also set to rise in 2018/19 it would seem that this approach would not be reasonable.

RLC recognises public transport has a positive impact for all through reduced congestion, reduced GHG emissions, access for youth, the elderly and disabled. We welcome efforts to encourage a material shift in behaviour where public transport is the preferred transport option over private vehicles in the future.

RLC encourages BOPRC to ensure the frequency time and routes of bus services meet the needs of users and future users. RLC have had feedback that services currently do not start early enough or finish late enough for workers reliant on the bus. RLC in conjunction with our Rotorua Rural Community Board would like to see consideration of a bus service for the Mamaku community. Mamaku is experiencing a resurgence of growth in the community which now demands consideration for public transport options. We have also had feedback that the community would welcome a service out to the lakes in the summer months.

RLC wish to add that an improvement in carbon emissions is achieved through increased public transport use additional to any consideration of fuel-type change such as to hybrid- electric or biodiesel fuel buses.

RLC supports option one that the current funding mix of general and targeted rate be maintained.

Recommendation 7

RLC would like to see consideration of a bus service for the Mamaku community.

Biosecurity

RLC support the preferred option two to increase the overall budget for the biosecurity activity which would allow BOPRC to manage new pests.

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We would however, encourage BOPRC to support community groups participating towards Predator free 2050 which would extend the range of pest, predators for control in targeted areas. The focus on dama wallaby to the exclusion of impacts from possums, rats, feral cats is not supported.

RLC seeks to partner with BOPRC in the Sanatorium Reserve restoration, a unique geothermal environment planned for pest control and natural development in our LTP.

In line with this RLC is currently aware that summer monitoring of the catfish spread in Lake Rotoiti has overtaken assumptions made around biosecurity in the LTP. The dramatic and unexpected increase in both population and spread of catfish around Lake Rotoiti and right up to the Ohau Channel weir at Lake Rotorua signals a potentially serious biosecurity risk. The potential damage to tourism, fishing and biodiversity from catfish becoming established through all the Rotorua lakes is unimaginable.

Recommendation 8

RLC in conjunction with our Rotorua Lakes Community Board urge BOPRC to without delay establish a Working Group consisting of BOPRC and RLC, TALT, Rotorua Te Arawa Lakes Strategy Group, Lakes Water Quality Society, DOC, Fish and Game and The Rotorua Lakes Community Board to develop a revised plan for the eradication of catfish from the Rotorua Lakes.

Recommendation 9

An adequate budget (separate from the general biosecurity budget) to fund the revised plan, that proposed budget to be put to Regional Council before they approve the 2018-28 LTP.

Emergency management

RLC support option two to change funding to a targeted rate for region-wide Civil Defence Emergency Management services.

RLC would like to be working collaboratively to identify hazards and develop adaptations plans in response to the threat of climate change.

Regional Development

Rotorua Lakes Council supports the preferred option one for Third Party Infrastructure Funding Policy being proposed by the Regional Council in their 2018/2028 Long Term Plan.

RLC is however somewhat concerned with the uncertainty of what project BOPRC will fund in the future. The CD does not provide any clarity to what the priority projects will be beyond what is already approved. We acknowledge and applaud your support for waste water improvement projects within our district with the level of investment being undertaken by the Regional Council to support its regional development.

Nitrogen reduction and lake water quality

RLC remains committed to improving lake water quality across the district.

RLC has repeatedly expressed its disappointment that PC10 and the current focus of the Incentives Board does not provide a sustainable, resilient and equitable framework for land use change. RLC encourages the BOPRC to consider a Natural Capital baseline below which N cannot be sold. RLC would again ask that BOPRC consider refocusing the incentives board outside of Council and enable an independent body to seek additional funding and to consider economic development goals as an equal priority/consideration.

Proposed Tarawera Sewerage Scheme

Rotorua Lakes Council also supports the submission of the Lake Tarawera Sewerage Steering Committee through its Chair, Glenn Snelgrove, requesting for \$2.5M funding subsidy for the proposed Tarawera Sewerage Scheme from the Regional Council. This funding subsidy, in addition to the already committed funding subsidy from MfE (\$6.5M) and Rotorua Lakes Council (\$0.75M), will make the individual capital cost contribution towards the scheme be at the same level as the completed schemes.

Recommendation 10

RLC request BOPRC makes provision in its LTP for appropriate subsidy funding for the lakes catchment community wastewater schemes.

Rotorua Air Quality

RLC notes the indication that funding for the Rotorua air quality programme ceases after 2021. We would welcome this being discussed at the Rotorua Air Quality Working Group.

RLC has been pleased to partner with BOPRC to fund independent home performance assessments with a particular focus on clean heat in the air shed. The program also has wider benefits for community health and resilience and it has been useful to work collaboratively developing the programme together with a range of benefits for both funding parties. RLC looks forward to continued collaboration and support for this programme.

Growth projections

Rotorua's population is nearing 72,000 and this growth has seen the district become a 'newly-defined' medium growth area under the National Policy Statement for Urban Development Capacity (NPS-UDC). Statistics New Zealand information confirms this growth over the last three years.

The Rotorua population projections in Volume Rua on page 14 are not in keeping with those on page 108, given that our population has already exceeded the figures on page 14. RLC would ask the BOPRC update their population trends for Rotorua immediately in all regional fact sheets and strategies to reflect the combined effects of the supplementary BERL report on population changes from economic growth on the underlying trends of the NIDEA report.

Draft BOP Regional Land Transport Plan 2018 – SH30 Eastern Corridor

This submission on the Draft BOP Regional Land Transport Plan 2018 is related to the Regional Priorities (Figure 25) which outlines regional activities and their relevant, assigned, priority to be submitted to the National Land Transport Fund (NLTF).

We fully support the inclusion of the Activity SH30 Eastern Corridor, Connect Rotorua (Stage 2: Iles Road to Rotorua Airport) in the Draft BOPRLTP and the request from the Regional Transport Committee (RTC) for the Activity to be included in the NZTA's State Highway Investment Proposal (SHIP) in the next 6 years.

It is our view that the relative priority, assigned to this Activity, understates the importance of the proposal for the Rotorua District and the region and it minimises its objective for the following reasons;

The SH30 Eastern Corridor (Stage 2 - Iles to Airport) is assigned "Economic Efficiency" as its primary objective.

The Regional Land Transport Plan sets out the region's preferred approach to investment, prioritising integrated planning, demand management and network optimisation approaches before investing in new infrastructure and determining which outcomes are the most important to the region. According to this approach the most important outcomes for the region are;

1. Quality of Life 45% comprising, access and resilience, environmental sustainability, land use and transport, energy efficiency and public health.
2. Safety 30% comprising, road network safety and,
3. Economic performance 25% comprising economic efficiency and affordability.

It is therefore unsurprising that when the Rotorua SH30 Activity is assigned "Economic Efficiency" as the primary objective it is ranked at a lower priority to other activities in the range of No 1 -11 where land use, transport integration as well as safety and environmental sustainability are identified as the principal objectives.

The Detail Business Case (DBC) process under progress for SH30 Eastern Corridor has identified that the highway is currently underperforming in many key areas and a number of significant gaps in this corridor are apparent including the following;

- Safety - (9 DSIs over the previous 5 years)
- Amenity - (poor tourism character, inadequate active road users space, poor pedestrian facilities, poor pedestrian crossings, high traffic speeds and freight volumes cause severance with high air and noise pollution creating an unattractive environment for active modes)
- Accessibility - (unrestricted access to residential, commercial/industrial properties creating side friction and conflict)

When these "significant" gaps are superimposed onto important, growth related, trends such as;

- Traffic growth by 18% between 2014 & 2016 and projected to continue to increase as a result of residential development on the eastern corridor (spatial plan)
- Freight growth with 2,000 heavy vehicles per day an increase of almost 20% and expected to continue

- Population growth expected to rise from 70,000 to 80,000 over next 20 years
- Primary industry movements whereby this corridor forms a strategic connection linking the District with the port of Tauranga
- Tourism growth where over recent years trends have been rapid and have exceeded all forecasts. The number of visitors (domestic and international) is now around one million p.a. These visitors contribute over \$800 million p.a. to the region's economy and since 2012 there was an increase of 14% p.a.
- Socio-economic wellbeing. While Rotorua's index of 7 is low over the last 5 years there was positive economic progress with the local economy performing above the national average. Te-NGae Road performs a key role in the regional network supporting economic growth and it is a critical route for the functioning of the business and industry located along the corridor.
- Resiliency considerations also rely heavily on this corridor as it is the only effective access between the city and the Rotorua Airport.
- Social considerations. There are five schools located on or near the corridor. Access to these schools by active modes is inhibited by severance due to traffic volumes and speeds.
- Health considerations. Rotorua has an ageing population with access requirements to essential health and care services. The main hospital in Rotorua (233 beds) is located in Rotorua centre. Te Ngae Road provides the main route for access to the hospital for those living in the eastern suburbs and rural areas to the north and northeast of Rotorua.

The evidence indicates that the case for investment onto this corridor is multifaceted and supports a number of objectives in addition to economic efficiency (transport). The evidence clearly indicates that there should be immediate investment designed in improving the quality of life, corridor user safety and the overall economic performance of the district.

Therefore it is our view, supported by the evidence offered above, that the relative priority of this activity in the BOPRLTP 2018 should be elevated and active support for this activity to be included in NZTA's State Highways Investment Programme enhanced and accelerated.

As a final note, Local Authority transport programmes in the draft RLTP are subject to Council Long Term Plan processes and will not be finalised before the date the final RLTP is submitted. Rotorua Lakes Council requests that the RLTP is updated to reflect the latest version of the draft Rotorua Lakes Council transport programme on the date that final RLTP is produced for Regional Transport Committee approval.

Summary of recommendations

Below is a summary of the Rotorua Lakes Council's recommendations to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council Long-term Plan Consultation document:

Recommendation 1

RLC requests that BOPRC consider its overall spending with a view to reducing the proposed rate increase substantially for the general rate and review the content of projects in the targeted rate areas. The signalled rates rise necessitates a further look into core versus discretionary activity spending.

Recommendation 2

RLC supports the inclusion of funding in the Asset Management Plan, and LTP for bringing the Utuhina Flood Protection Scheme up to the stated standard of providing protection from the 1% AEP flood.

Recommendation 3

In relation to the Ngongotaha stream, RLC would like to work with BOPRC to determine the extent of this risk and if required consider an extension to the scheme flood protection boundaries.

Recommendation 4

Waiwhero, Waiteti and Puarenga streams, do accept some urban stormwater and modelling will provide boundary conditions for design of urban stormwater systems and confirm waterway requirements for maintenance purposes, RLC would like to see them modelled within a reasonable timeframe.

Recommendation 5

Gisborne Point systems should be given consideration for an assessment.

Recommendations 6

RLC requests that maintenance be given a higher priority. Some of the channels are overgrown with exotic vegetation and RLC would like to see a programme to manage the channels more effectively as has been done on the lower reaches of the Utuhina and Ngongotaha Streams.

Recommendation 7

RLC would like to see consideration of a bus service for the Mamaku community.

Recommendation 8

RLC in conjunction with our Rotorua Lakes Community Board urge BOPRC to without delay establish a Working Group consisting of BOPRC and RLC, TALT, Rotorua Te Arawa Lakes Strategy Group, Lakes Water Quality Society, DOC, Fish and Game and The Rotorua Lakes Community Board to develop a revised plan for the eradication of catfish from the Rotorua Lakes.

Recommendation 9

An adequate budget (separate from the general biosecurity budget) to fund the revised plan, that proposed budget to be put to Regional Council before they approve the 2018-28 LTP.

Recommendation 10

RLC request BOPRC makes provision in its LTP for appropriate subsidy funding for the lakes catchment community waste water schemes.

Summary of consultation topics

Below is a summary of the Rotorua Lakes Council's preferred options to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council Long-term Plan Consultation document:

Rivers and drainage flood recovery project

What approach should we take to managing the flood repairs from the April 2017 floods in the eastern Bay of Plenty?

Preferred Option:

Option 1

Comments/feedback: We support the identified repairs being carried out as soon as possible in a way that is most affordable for the rate payers.

Public Transport

How do we fund increased bus services across the region?

Preferred Option:

Option 1

Comments/feedback: RLC feel that there is not enough information on what changes to the levels of service there may be and so support option one as it has the least cost impact on our residents.

Biosecurity

Are we putting the right level of effort into managing pests across the Bay of Plenty?

Preferred Option:

Option 2

Comments/feedback: RLC support the proposed option to increase the general fund for increased level of service for biosecurity.

Emergency Management

How should we fund region-wide Civil Defence Emergency Management services?

Preferred Option:

Option 2

Comments/feedback: RLC support the option to fund the Group CDEM through regional rates.

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Regional Development

Should we help fund infrastructure projects delivered by other organisations?

Preferred Option:

Option 1

Comments/feedback: RLC support BOPRC approach to funding infrastructure projects outside of this organisation and fairly distributing the costs amongst rate payers.

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Topic one ~ comments/feedback:

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Option selected:

Topic two ~ comments/feedback:

Topic three: Biosecurity: "Are we putting the right level of effort into managing pests across the Bay of Plenty?"

Option selected:

Topic three ~ comments/feedback:

Topic four: Emergency Management: "How should we fund region-wide Civil Defence Emergency Management Services?"

Option selected:

Topic four ~ comments/feedback:

Topic five: Regional Development: "Should we fund infrastructure projects delivered by other organisations?"

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21 March 2018

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Via email: Mary-Anne.Macleod@boprc.govt.nz

Dear Mary-Anne

Tauranga City Council submission to the Regional Council Long Term Plan.

We commend you on a well presented Consultation Document contains the issues that your Council sees as being the major issues for the next 10 years.

Generally, we support the issues that you have raised, and make the following specific comments:

1. On public transport we support the move to have the funding of the rates requirement for the public transport service to be fully on a targeted rate. This means that the communities benefiting from the service will meet the cost. It should also mean that where a community requires additional Public Transport services that need should not be impeded by consideration of inter district rates subsidy.

Enabling the growth of the City is key aim of Tauranga City Council. A vital component of delivering growth is ensuring that future growth areas are highly accessible. Public transport plays an integral part to the accessibility of these growth areas therefore we would support the Regional Council's LTP to include provision for high frequency public transport services to be included as part of the two main growth areas, Te Tumu and the Western Corridor/ Taurkjo West.

In order establish public transport ridership from the start of these developments Council would support these services to be in place from day one of the development. This would support the high level of investment in public transport infrastructure, that is being phased to be delivered from the start of the development.

Public Transport services are very important to the Transport Programme business case to improve travel times for Tauranga residents and to reduce traffic congestion which, is an inevitable consequence of growth. While we note that there are changes to the funding of the services, and to the level of service in the first 3 years, we are unsure whether the 10 year plan includes sufficient investment to fully support the investment needed.

Tauranga City Council has included our investment share across the 10 years and there will be a misalignment if the Regional Council has not. We look forward to working with you to ensure that the organisations are fully aligned over the next 10 years on this issue, and to investigating opportunities to working collaboratively across our organisations to deliver stronger transport outcomes for the sub region.

2. One of the services which has been identified as important for public transport is the school bus service. We believe that having a bus service which is available at no charge to school pupils for travel to and from school is an important step to reduce road congestion and to instil lifelong habits of using public transport.

Tauranga City Council would like to work with you, to advocate to Government for additional funding to enable this.

3. The importance of water quality in our streams is highlighted under "Freshwater for life". In that section you mention working with the community to fence and replant water margins. TCC is particularly conscious of the riparian edge of the Waiari Stream. As part of the Waiari development we are working with the Waiari Kaitiaki Advisory group. The issue of riparian planting in this area is important. Over the next three years TCC will be undertaking the riparian planting for these properties in accordance with the planting plans. There is interest from the community and the Kaitiaki group for wider plantings to be undertaken. These are for the improvement of the wider area.

With the work being undertaken by TCC, it is an opportunity for TCC, Western Bay of Plenty District Council and the Regional Council to work together to provide funds for a wider programme of planting. This programme will be worked through in the next 3 years. We look forward to working with the Regional Council and WBOPDC to collectively deliver a wider community benefit at lower cost than us each working independently.

4. Tauranga City Council, through our own draft Long Term Plan, is seeking submissions from our ratepayers on a proposal to introduce a rates funded kerbside glass collection service. The introduction of the service is the result of Waste Management NZ ceasing the collection of glass from their customers in mixed recycling collections on the kerbside and ceasing the acceptance of mixed glass from other waste operators in Tauranga (effectively stopping all glass collection in the City) at their recycling facility.

The TCC proposal involves the collection of colour-sorted glass from the kerbside and delivery to 0-1 in Auckland who have the ability to recycle 100% of the glass so long as the material is delivered to them in an appropriate manner. To achieve this, TCC will need to provide every household with a crate that they can deposit glass in for collection. The cost of this is estimated to be approximately \$600,000. TCC is seeking contributions to the cost of the crates so as to reduce the cost to its ratepayers and ensure that glass is collected in a way that will result in maximum recovery. TCC would appreciate a contribution from BOPRC to the cost of the crates. TCC is also seeking funding for these from the Glass Packaging Forum, the Ministry for the Environment and is exploring other funding sources.

5. Regional Development — we recognise the valuable contributions that have been made through your Regional Infrastructure Fund to projects such as the I.JoW campus and the Marine Precinct and through your direct funding support of infrastructure projects where outcomes are consistent with Regional Council priorities. We support Option 2 and express our commitment to working in partnership to deliver on our shared regional development objectives.

We thank you for the opportunity to make this submission and would like to be heard by the Council. We look forward to continuing to work with the Regional Council to provide better outcomes for our communities.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Garry Poole". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G".

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21 March 2018

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Dear Mary-Anne,

Submission to the Long Term Plan 2018-28 from the Whakatāne District Council

Thank you for the opportunity to submit to the Long Term Plan 2018-28 for the Bay of Plenty Regional Council. The Whakatāne District Council wishes to make the submission points outlined in the attached table.

The Whakatāne District Council **wishes to be heard** in support of its submission. We look forward to your confirmation of a time and date to present our submission to the Council.

For specific enquiries related to the submission please feel free to contact the Strategic Policy Team at the Whakatāne District Council on p. 07 306 0500.

Yours faithfully,

Tony Bonne
MAYOR

1. GENERAL STRATEGIC DIRECTION AND COLLABORATION

Consultation Document p.7

WDC is supportive of the BOPRC vision and community outcomes for the region as set out on page 7 of the consultation document. Whilst recognising the specific roles of our respective organisations, our strategic direction and the vision for our communities share much common ground. WDC does suggest identification of a further underlying strategic challenge being the wealth disparity and levels of deprivation facing many of our communities - in the Eastern Bay of Plenty in particular. The challenges of affordability will continue to have a significant influence on our region's priorities, as well as implications for the ability of local government to respond to challenges and opportunities into the future.

WDC recognises the close working relationship shared by our organisations and looks forward to an ever-greater focus on partnership and collaboration as we move forward into the next ten years.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports the BoPRC regional vision and community outcomes.
- WDC suggests inclusion of 'wealth disparity' as an additional strategic challenge.
- WDC welcomes a continued close working relationship with BoPRC.

2. FLOOD RECOVERY

Consultation Document p.36-37

WDC acknowledges and thanks BOPRC for their continued support for the recovery efforts in the Whakatāne District following impacts of ex Tropical Cyclone Debbie and Cyclone Cook. As noted by the Regional Council these events "hit the region hard and particularly the Whakatāne and Rangitāiki River catchments".

BoPRC are correct to acknowledge that residents in the Eastern Bay are still feeling the impacts of these events - in particular this is the case for the Community of Edgecumbe. The recovery efforts continue and at the time of writing this submission some 64% of displaced Edgecumbe residents have been able to return home.

WDC acknowledges that there is a significant amount of work and cost required to repair damage to river systems, most in the Eastern Bay of Plenty. WDC supports the need to undertake the repair work, but is strongly opposed to the funding approach being proposed. This approach, which seeks to recover 80% of the repair costs through targeted rates to the affected catchment areas, is considered to be completely inappropriate. The people of the affected catchments are not at fault,

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their actions have not resulted in the need for repairs, and a targeted revenue approach is therefore not warranted. It is at times of emergency and disaster that wider communities need to band together to support one-another, to be a regional community. WDC suggests that a greater portion of these disaster recovery works be funded region wide.

The options set out in the BoPRC consultation document allow only for consideration of whether costs should be passed to the targeted communities immediately, or funded over time. There is no consideration of alternative funding philosophies offered. WDC considers that this should have been the focus of the discussion with the community and fear that the wider community may not be aware of what is being proposed and therefore may miss the opportunity to submit on this component of the proposal.

Summary of submission:

- WDC thanks BoPRC for their continued efforts to support recovery efforts.
- WDC supports the work required to repair damage to river systems.
- WDC strongly opposes the proposed funding options for the repair work.
- WDC suggests that a greater portion of the flood disaster recovery works be regionally funded, rather than catchment based.

3. REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

Consultation Document p.46

The Whakatāne District faces a number of significant funding challenges for infrastructure projects over the course of the coming ten years (and beyond) that will not be able to be progressed without funding support. A number of these are considered to be well aligned to BoPRC regional community outcomes.

WDC strongly supports the continued provision and management of a Regional Development Fund for infrastructure projects, noting that the funds make substantial contributions to economic and environmental outcomes in the region. The funds provide support to specific projects that might otherwise not be possible by a third party, and maximises the delivery of projects towards the achievement of BoPRCs regional community outcomes and objectives.

WDC notes that the distribution of the Regional Development Fund will be guided by the BoPRC Third Party Infrastructure Policy, currently in draft form. WDC requests that the review of this Policy give greater consideration to local affordability within the 'Policy objectives' and 'Evaluation of applications' sections. As part of the Policy review process, WDC directs BoPRC to investigate the NZTA approach which takes account of deprivation levels within the funding methodology.

WDC is supportive of the due diligence steps outlined in the 'Funding documentation' section of the Policy and consider this should be scalable according to the size of application being made to the Infrastructure Fund. The inclusion of a 'business case' to support applications will help to ensure informed decision-making.

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WDC notes that the Regional Development Fund is provided from reserves and that this will result in a cost in terms of lost interest. For any provision of 'grant funding' in particular (as opposed to third party direct funding), WDC request that this should be recovered through the use of regional funds and/or Quayside dividends, rather than a variable case by case basis that may involve targeted rates.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports the continued provision of a Regional Development Fund as set out in the preferred option on p.47 of the consultation document.
- WDC requests that the review of the Infrastructure Funding Policy and distribution of grant funding for infrastructure projects, give greater consideration to local affordability.
- Following review of the Policy, WDC requests to be advised when the next round of applications to the Regional Development Fund can be made.

4. ON-SITE EFFLUENT TREATMENT REGIONAL PLAN REVIEW

WDC continues to work on a reticulated wastewater solution for Matatā. The project will make an important contribution in improving environmental and public health in the township. Focus is now on applications for funding support. WDC thanks BoPRC for their continued support and involvement in this project.

The BOPRC On Site Effluent Treatment Plan (OSET Plan) is currently being reviewed with notification of the changes anticipated during 2018. A Medical Officer of Health for Toi Te Ora Public Health has formally requested that "...Matatā be designated a maintenance zone and be zoned a community for further reticulation". It has been estimated in the Indicative Business Case for the Matatā Integrated Wastewater project that the compliance costs of a maintenance zone for Matatā are in the order of \$22 million and will require 20% (60) of the properties within the township to be vacated. The compliance costs will fall on individual property owners. BOPRC staff have also advised that a maintenance zone is an interim solution until full reticulation can be delivered.

WDC has developed a wastewater solution for Matatā that addresses the current public health and environmental risks, and provides for regional development. The Matatā component of the proposal is of comparable cost to a maintenance zone but funding repayments will be allocated across the Whakatāne district through an equalised wastewater rate. The proposal will require external funding support in order to proceed.

The BOPRC LTP is silent on the budget and social implications of a maintenance zone, and on WDC's Integrated Wastewater proposal.

Summary of submission:

- WDC requests that the BOPRC LTP recognises and clearly articulates its intended approach towards a wastewater management solution in Matatā.
- WDC requests that BoPRC acknowledge that a funding request towards the development of an integrated Wastewater proposal will be expected from WDC in the near future. In the meantime, BoPRC are asked to retain within the LTP budgets, their funding commitment that has already been made, with an expectation that this will increase.

5. RIVER SCHEME SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW

Consultation Document p.32-33

The consultation document has numerous references to the review of the sustainability of River Schemes. WDC recognises there are significant issues and challenges to consider in terms of managing flood protection and control into the next 30 years and beyond. This includes but is not limited to, the balance between affordability and the acceptable level of risk to the community. WDC is generally supportive of the review and recognises that this conversation needs to be wider than the provision of built structures for flood protection. This includes for example the opportunities for planning measures and land use controls, and implications for emergency management. WDC considers that collaboration between Councils and with the wider community, is essential in determining an appropriate way forward. The implications for communities are significant and it is essential that the approach should include extensive public engagement with the communities of interest.

WDC considers that the general approach to river scheme management needs to give greater recognition to the urban population (purely because of the density of population) that tends to be secondary to the management of rural areas. The manner in which river maintenance projects are prioritised is not open enough to test how priorities are set.

WDC particularly stresses the need and urgency for the review in the reaches of the Whakatāne River through the township - we believe this is now the highest risk / highest consequence location in the region. The increase in severe events over the past ten years have put great risk on flood management structures and systems. The April 2017 storm event in particular could have resulted in major flooding of a significant part of the township if weather, peak flow and sea conditions aligned to a little more severe combination. WDC considers the traditional approach of increasing the height of floodwalls as not only producing more risk of failure through underlying foundations but also further alienating the community from the river amenity. WDC is currently undertaking assessments of effects associated with a proposal to renew the main commercial wharf. The preliminary outcomes indicate that there may be an opportunity to investigate reducing flood levels by realigning and enlarging the river channel, and from the management of the western training wall.

WDC continues to have an ongoing concern with the affordability and funding mechanisms of River Schemes and has submitted to BoPRC on this in the past.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports the River Schemes sustainability review.
- WDC seeks assurance that a highly collaborative (e.g. as opposed to consultative) approach be taken with the River Schemes sustainability review including working closely with WDC to develop a range of options.
- WDC requests that BoPRC prioritise the review of urban river schemes, including in particular the lower reaches of the Whakatane River Scheme.
- WDC requests that the River Schemes sustainability review include extensive public engagement with the communities of interest.

6. RATES AFFORDABILITY

Consultation Document p.24

The rates increases proposed by BoPRC for the Whakatāne District in the LTP 2018-28 are substantial. This follows (is additional to) a similar scenario in the previous 2015-25 LTP. The result is that Whakatāne District (and Opotiki District) will face much higher rates than other areas of the region. The distribution of rates requirements, as indicated on the median rates graphs on p.24 of the consultation document demonstrate this disproportionality.

This disproportionality is particularly concerning when compared alongside the levels of relative deprivation. Of the 19 census area units in the Whakatāne District, 7 have the highest deprivation score of 10 (amongst the 10% most deprived areas of NZ). A further 5 census area units have the next highest deprivation level of 9. Together these areas capture 58% of our population. With increasing levels of wealth disparity in our society, all levels of government face the need to consider where revenue is sourced from in relation to where wealth is.

WDC reminds BoPRC that the specific philosophies guiding funding for individual activities need to be followed by an overarching holistic approach to the impact of revenue needs. As directed by the Local Government Act section 101(3)(b), local authorities are required to consider “the overall impact of any allocation of liability for revenue needs on the community”. This view could be extended further to consider the cumulative impact of Regional rates alongside District rates to understand the full imposition of local government related costs to our communities.

Summary of submission:

- WDC requests more focus on affordability in the proposed LTP 2018-28, including greater consideration of the liability of costs against the wealth challenges in our communities.

7. REVIEW OF RATING SYSTEM

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WDC notes that BoPRC had made a commitment within the previous 2015-25 LTP to conduct a rates review. The WDC submission was and continues to be in support of this intention. WDC notes that the review has not yet been conducted and is therefore concerned about the intention from BoPRC to “put a stronger focus on the money we collect from fees and charges and from targeted rates” (as indicated on p.3 of the consultation document). WDC requests that the rates review be undertaken as a matter of priority, before implementing any changes to the revenue system.

Of particular concern is the use of targeted rates for works undertaken within the Whakatāne District, in particular 80-100% of the funding for the river schemes, 100% of the Rangitāiki Drainage Scheme, and additionally now for 80% of flood repair including in Edgecumbe. WDC suggests that a ‘user pays philosophy’ needs to be assessed alongside the sustainability and equity of other mechanisms.

WDC recognises that very specific geographic application of targeted rates provides no differentiation from the local level funding structures available to local authorities (including WDC). BOPRC are encouraged to consider their funding model in the context of the regional scale of their functions, and the wider revenue methodologies and structures they have available to them.

WDC suggest that funding mechanisms generally be viewed more holistically. These are not simply means to fund specific activities but of themselves also have an impact on communities and on the achievement of outcomes. For example revenue structures can help to encourage and discourage certain behaviours, they can rebalance inequality or increase hardship. WDC suggest greater recognition that the ‘public/private benefit’ and ‘user/exacerbator pays’ are specifically selected principles amongst a range of other potential considerations.

Specifically, WDC encourages BOPRC to reassess their philosophy towards targeted rates under the Local Government Act section 101(3)(a)(i) and (ii). WDC considers that the ‘distribution of benefits’ should be considered in a more comprehensive way rather than simply those properties physically adjacent to the river scheme. This is considered oversimplified given for example the significant “community outcomes” in terms of economic benefits to the wider region, emanating from areas like the Rangitāiki Plains.

Summary of submission:

- WDC strongly reiterates its (previously accepted) request for a comprehensive rates review including of targeted rates on the Whakatāne District. WDC requests to be engaged as a key stakeholder in the review process.

8. FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

Consultation Document p.3 and p.25

BoPRC indicate that “in the previous three years, we have used our reserves to reduce our requirement for general rate funding, and this is set to change”. Later in the document (p.25), BoPRC makes reference to the “use of investment returns to reduce the amount we need to collect through general rates”. It therefore appears that there is an intent to continue to subsidise the general rate but to do this through the use of investment returns (Quayside dividends) rather than reserves. WDC have previously submitted on this matter and consider that the use of reserves to subsidise the requirement for general rates is not a transparent or strategic use of resource.

Summary of submission:

- WDC would suggest review of the use of investment returns towards a more strategic purpose than subsidising the general rate requirement.

9. TARGETED RATES FOR BUS SERVICES

Consultation Document p.39-40

WDC acknowledges and supports the intention to increase service levels for public transport (albeit “particularly in the west”) that BOPRC has already made a commitment towards.

WDC would suggest that the philosophy of targeted versus general funds can logically be argued either way given the balance of 1: a user pays philosophy, versus 2: the broader environmental and traffic congestion related benefits of public transport. On balance, WDC does not have a strong view on the funding proposal put forward on page 40 of the consultation document but does request that the specific funding philosophy be considered in the context of the overall rating impact on those areas being targeted. In particular, the overall rate requirement on the Whakatāne District is already disproportionately higher than most other areas.

WDC do suggest that the fee regime for use of bus services should be reviewed and could be a critical factor in the success of public transport services. A significantly increased subsidy for services (including possibly even trialling a fee free regime) could provide an opportunity to change perceptions and behaviour towards use of public transport. Queenstown for example, have had success with a heavily subsidised user fee structure.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports the BoPRC commitment towards increased use of public transport.
- WDC requests that any targeted rate funding proposals be considered in the context of the overall rates requirements on an area.
- WDC suggests review of the bus fee regime as a mechanism to support increased uptake of services.

10. TARGETED RATES FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Consultation Document p.45

WDC acknowledges the regional partnership approach to civil defence Emergency Management services and looks forward to a continued working relationship with BOPRC and the other Councils, through the Emergency Management Bay of Plenty (EMBOP) model. WDC supports the use of a targeted rate for Emergency Management, and while the preferred option on page 45 of the consultation document is supported, the Council looks forward to the time when all CDEM services (not just the GECC activities) can be funded regionally.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports the change to a targeted rate for Emergency Management – as set out as the preferred option on page 45 of the consultation document.

11. FRESHWATER FOCUS

Consultation Document p.10-13

WDC views water management as fundamentally important for the future of our District. WDC acknowledges the investment and action towards improving the regions freshwater resources continue to be a key priority at all levels of government and for the community. BoPRC have indicated a significant investment into this priority – page 13 of the consultation document indicates \$46 million in the first year of the Long Term Plan – although it is not clear whether this represents an increase, decrease, or retention of the current level of investment and level of service.

As BoPRC will be aware, many of our resource consents for the Whakatāne District’s water supply and wastewater services will expire around 2026 (with some consents outside of this timeframes). Many other local authorities will be in a similar situation given the 35 year timeframe imposed under the Resource Management Act 1991. The applications for new resource consents represent a significant programme of work and driver of costs during the 10 years of the WDC 2018-28 Long Term Plan. It is expected that new resource consents will probably require major upgrades to our treatment plants. WDC wishes to work with BoPRC to explore opportunities for the timing of consents, i.e. to consider ways of spreading this impact, coordinating resource consents to manage investment decisions and spread the implementation of consent conditions to help manage the financial costs of these upgrades.

The renewal of resource consents and subsequent system upgrades represent a significant opportunity to improve outcomes for freshwater, but also will be a major driver of costs for the communities that are faced with this challenge. WDC consider this an opportunity to work collaboratively towards innovative and sustainable solutions with direct relevance to District and Regional community outcomes.

Summary of submission:

- WDC consider that it would be appropriate to signal in the BoPRC LTP the need for local authorities to secure new resource consents as a significant region-wide challenge.

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- WDC requests that the BoPRC note that the process of securing new resource consents will be a major driver of rates increases for the Whakatāne District over the coming ten years.
- WDC suggest a collaborative approach to mapping out the pathway for securing new resource consents to help ensure a successful and financially manageable outcome.

12. APPLICATION OF THE RPS NATURAL HAZARD PROVISIONS

Application of the Regional Policy Statement (RPS) natural hazard provisions will drive significant capital expenditure on risk reduction initiatives in future years. It is not clear if this has been recognised in the BoPRC LTP.

An example of the implications for BOPRC of applying the RPS is a flood risk assessment of areas protected by stopbanks that are under the control of BOPRC. Recent resource consent application responses from BOPRC engineering staff include commentary that flood levels should factor in stop bank breaches. Incorporating this advice into the RPS risk assessment methodology virtually guarantees a risk assessment result of 'high' to the susceptible communities, which is required to be reduced by the RPS. In contrast, where stop banks are accepted as providing protection for up to a 1% Annual Exceedance Probability event, the risk assessment may well return a risk level result of 'medium' or 'low'. As BOPRC has statutory responsibilities around integrated catchment management and associated flood protection to communities, requests for BOPRC to improve stopbank performance are inevitable.

Summary of submission:

- WDC requests that the BOPRC LTP identifies and makes allowance for the application of the Regional Policy Statement (RPS) natural hazard provisions.

13. NATURAL HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Consultation Document p.15

Education of the public on natural hazard risk and community responsiveness is an effective disaster risk reduction principle. The BayHazards interactive natural hazards information-sharing electronic platform is a good public information resource in this space.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports further BOPRC investment in the continued development of this resource.

14. AWATARARIKI DEBRIS FLOW RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Aspects of the Awatarariki debris flow risk management programme are likely to come into effect during the term of the LTP. These include the WDC private plan change to the Regional Natural

Resources Plan and/or the voluntary managed retreat programme. Although it is too early to identify the budget implications of these items, there should be specific recognition of the programme within the LTP.

Summary of submission:

- WDC requests specific recognition of the Awatarariki debris flow risk management programme in the BoPRC LTP.

15. CLIMATE CHANGE

Consultation Document p.18-19

WDC recognises the leadership role that BoPRC will play in climate change and supports this being identified in the BOPRC LTP as a key priority. Climate change similarly features as a high priority for WDC. WDC recognises the need for both mitigation and adaptation approaches to climate change that recognise a range of interventions relative to individual hazards and their likelihood and consequence. Adaptive approaches are reliant on identifying change, and will require strong collaboration between WDC and BOPRC in terms of sharing data and expertise. Ongoing monitoring of key agreed climate change descriptors will inform the identification of change and subsequent trends, and the serious community conversations that are likely to be required in the future.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports climate change being identified in the BOPRC LTP as a key priority, and looks forward to a close working relationship to progress mitigation and adaptation projects.
- WDC would also support any budgeted staff resource and funding specifically for climate change-related projects, programmes and initiatives.

16. BIOSECURITY

Consultation document p.43

WDC supports the work BoPRC carries out in order to manage pests and support landowners to undertake pest control activities. This work not only protects native flora and fauna, but also protects the region's economy.

Summary of submission:

- WDC supports the proposal to increase investment into biosecurity/pest management as set out in the preferred option 2 on p.43 of the consultation document.

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Long-Term Plan 2018-2028, Today Tomorrow Together

Guidelines to submitting application for Community Initiatives Fund (CIF)

Kia ora

These guidelines are to help your group/organisation ensure that staff are well informed and able to make strong recommendations on your behalf, to Bay of Plenty Regional Council Toi Moana (Council) for decision-making purposes.

If your group or organisation is submitting to Council requesting funding of:

- UNDER \$20,000 annually - this form would help you formulate your plan
- OVER \$20,000 annually - this form is a required part of your submission

NOTE: *While we acknowledge that your planning at this stage will likely still be in a draft form; Council will be making decisions based on this information.*

General tips when submitting to the 2018-2018 Long Term Plan for funding

- Council will consider funding for no more than three years
- Your project should:
 - support/enhance the work of Council
 - not be eligible for other Council funding e.g. Environmental Enhancement Fund, Rotorua Nutrient Reduction Fund, Riparian Management Plan grants, Iwi/Hapū Management Plan funding or other Council funds not outlined here
- Provide an outline of your plan over the period you are submitting for funding for (up to three years)
- Include a more detailed plan of your first year
- Have clear, realistic objectives that have measurable outcomes
- Provide a draft budget for the first year's plan

Submissions and Community Initiative Fund applications are to be sent by email with your completed submission form to ltp2018-2028@boprc.govt.nz or post it to us at:

Freeport Number 122076
Long Term Plan Submissions
Bay of Plenty Regional Council
PO Box 364
Whakatāne 3158

You can also drop a submission into any of our offices across the Bay of Plenty: 5 Quay Street, Whakatāne, 87 First Avenue, Tauranga, 1125 Arawa Street, Rotorua

If necessary, staff may request further information or want to meet with you to ask further questions, to ensure that they have a full understanding of what you and your group are looking to do.

If you would like assistance on any part of this, please contact:

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What to expect

All decisions are at the discretion of Council; submission requests can be fully approved, partially approved or declined by Council. You will be informed of Council's decision and if successful, a Council staff member will be in touch with you to complete the following:

Full funding approved

Council will expect:

- the final project plan
- the proposed outcomes
- budget details

to be closely aligned to those included within the submission. Where relevant, a signed Health & Safety form will also be required.

An assigned CIF Council liaison person will work with you to:

- Finalise details in your CIF Agreement
- Agree upon timing of payment instalments
- Set milestones to be achieved before next instalment of funding can be paid
- Agree upon reporting and review process

NOTE: *If your group is not achieving your outcomes within a milestone period, this will impact on approval of instalment payment and future applications. Working closely with your CIF liaison person will help set realistic outcomes and milestones. They can also help you to look at how you could meet the objectives within the next milestone period. The CIF liaison person is there to help your group achieve your stated outcomes.*

Partial funding approved

Should Council approve only partial funding, Council staff will be directed as to the details of the decision. Your group/organisation will receive a letter outlining what funding and project outcomes have been approved.

Council will expect:

- the final project plan
- the proposed outcomes
- budget details

to be closely aligned to the outcomes approved from within your submission. Where relevant, a signed Health and Safety form will also be required.

An assigned CIF Council liaison person will work with you to:

- Finalise details in your CIF Agreement
- Agree upon timing of payment instalments
- Set milestones to be achieved before next instalment of funding can be paid
- Agree upon reporting and review process

NOTE: as per Full Funding - If your group is not achieving your outcomes within a milestone period, this will impact on approval of instalment payment and future applications. Working closely with your CIF liaison person will help set realistic outcomes and milestones. They can also help you to look at how you could meet the objectives within the next milestone period. The CIF liaison person is there to help your group achieve your stated outcomes.

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Please highlight *yes/no* as applicable.

- yes/no** Our group/organisation's outcomes align to at least one of Council's Community Outcomes.
- yes/no** Our group/organisation and the project location are within the Bay of Plenty.
- yes/no** We are applying for other funding from Council
(we would like to acknowledge start up operational funding support from the integrated catchment activity programmes in 17/18)
- yes/no** We agree to sign a contract with Bay of Plenty Regional Council.
- yes/no** We agree to regularly monitor the project and to report its progress.
- yes/no** We are committed to completing our desired outcomes.
- yes/no** We agree that Bay of Plenty Regional Council can use the project in promotional material.

Contributes to the Council Community Outcomes and Objectives

Tick (✓) the Outcome/s and Objective/s that your project supports/aligns with.

A healthy environment

We will maintain and enhance our air, land, freshwater, geothermal, coastal resources and biodiversity for all those who live, work and play within our region. We support others to do the same.

He taiao ora

Ka tiakina, ka hāpai i te hau, te whenua, te wai māori, te ngāwhā, ngā rawa takutai me ngā mea ora katoa o te taiao hei oranga ngākau mō te hunga e noho ana, e mahi ana, e whakangahau ana i roto i tō tātau rohe. E tautoko ana mātau i ētahi atu ki te whai i tēnei.

✓

1	We develop and implement regional plans and policies to protect our natural environment	
2	We manage our natural resources effectively through regulation, education and action	✓
3	We work cohesively with volunteers and others, to sustainably manage and improve our natural resources	✓
4	Our environmental monitoring is transparently communicated to our communities	✓

1	Good decision making is supported through improving knowledge of our water resources	✓
2	We listen to our communities and consider their values and priorities in our regional plans	
3	We collaborate with others to maintain and improve our water resource for future generations	✓
4	We deliver solutions to local problems to improve water quality and manage quantity	✓
5	We recognise and provide for Te Mana o Te Wai (intrinsic value of water)	

Freshwater for life

Our water and land management practices maintain and improve the quality and quantity of the region's fresh water resources.

He wai māori, he wai oranga

Ko ā mātau tikanga whakahaere wai, whakahaere whenua ka tiaki, ka whakapai ake i te mauri me te rahinga o ngā rawa wai māori o te rohe.

Safe and resilient communities

Our planning and infrastructure supports resilience to natural hazards so that our communities' safety is maintained and improved.

Kia haumarū, kia pakari te hapori

E tautoko ana ā mātau waihanga mahere, hanganga hoki i te pakaritanga ki ngā aituā taiao e noho pai ai o tātau hapori.

1	We provide systems and information to increase understanding of natural risks and climate change impacts	
2	We support community safety through flood protection and navigation safety	
3	We work with our partners to develop plans and policies, and we lead and enable our communities to respond and recover from an emergency	
4	We work with our communities, and others to consider long term views of natural hazard risks through our regional plans and policies	

✓

1	We lead regional transport strategy and system planning, working with others to deliver a safe and reliable public transport system	
2	We contribute to delivering integrated planning and growth management strategies especially for sustainable urban management	
3	We work with and connect the right people to create a prosperous region and economy	
4	We invest appropriately in infrastructure to support sustainable development	

A vibrant region

We work with our partners and communities to achieve integrated planning and good decision-making. We support economic development, understanding the Bay of Plenty region and how we can best add value.

Toitū te rohe

E mahi tāhi ana mātau me o mātau hoa, hapori hoki kia eke ai ngā mahere kōmitimiti me te tuku whakatau pai. E tautoko ana mātau i te whanaketanga o hanga, te mōhio pū ki te rohe o Tei Moana, ā, me pāhea te whakarehe ake.

About your project....

The purpose of the grant:

To support the development of a more structured education and engagement programme that builds on and profiles existing community-led conservation groups.

The amount and number of years you are applying for:

\$30,000 per annum for 3 years.

Why the project or activity is needed with supporting evidence:

Members within Bay Conservation Alliance are at different stages of development with their education offerings and each have requested Bay Conservation to support the development of a coordinated and comprehensive regional education programme. The desire is for us to support existing members and future members with an education framework and delivery model. A key point of difference for this proposed programme is that the education experience will take place at a site that operates as a live community-led conservation initiative.

The current situation - Member positions

Member	School education?	Community education?	Paid or volunteer led?	Scope
Maketu Ongatoro Wetland Society	Yes – this is now well structured and features both classroom and onsite experiences, providing a different focus each term for participating schools i.e. stream bio blitz, dunes, rocky shore, estuary birds. Teacher unit plan developed and building a solid bank of education support resources such as stuffed animals, invertebrate displays etc.	Yes, through working bee's, community talks and events such as A & P shows and Environment Forums.	Paid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Structured programme in place which covers a range of habitat types, conservation messages. ○ Desire to expand to additional schools – intermediate and college levels. ○ Requested support with ensuring curriculum links within teacher unit plan is comprehensive (review complete). ○ Funding from BayTrust and WBOPDC in place. ○ Likely this programme will be brought under BCA rather than MOWS as we evolve a regional programme.
Uretara Estuary Manager's Inc.	Yes – limited but have hosted local Primary and College for tree plantings linked to Trees for Survival and Wild about NZ.	Yes, through working bee's.	Volunteer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Structured programme required.

Otanewainuku Kiwi Trust	Yes – host approximately 10 schools per year. This features a lesson in the classroom, followed by a guided site walk so is reasonably structured. Demand from schools is increasing and starting to develop off site activities i.e. painting trap boxes.	Yes, through working bee's, community talks and community events. Undertake approx. 10 adult focused talks for groups etc per year.	Volunteer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Could consider a more structured approach. ○ Probably gets most school enquiries out of all groups with some wanting to contribute rather than a pure education experience. ○ Offsite contributions present an opportunity to engage more people without hosting onsite but need to consider value vs. effort.
Aongatete Forest Restoration Project	Yes – host schools. Has handled groups up to about 60 students. Tends to create an experience for each visiting group i.e. not structured yet. Has the support/interest of Forest & Bird.	Yes, through working bee's and community events. Breakfast with the Bird's is a fantastic example of community education which had a strong public response last year.	Volunteer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Structured programme required. ○ Located next to Aongatete Education Centre presents a great opportunity if collaboration can be strengthened. Aongatete EC open to greater collaboration and considering BCA membership and what it could bring to the regional education programme i.e. ideal site for teacher professional development etc. ○ This site is considered an exemplar part of the Kaimai Mamaku Forest Park. ○ Desire for support with education facilitation as volunteer model proving challenging.

We have had conversations with several other groups considering Bay Conservation membership including the Te Whakakaha Trust and the Kaharoa Kokako Trust both also indicating a desire for support with education.

Moving forward we have asked our members to consider the outcomes they are seeking through education and community engagement activities.

We believe the key is to provide a **'facilitated'** programme rather than expecting teacher/community led uptake by only providing resources. Non-facilitated resources have a place but need to be supported through training/professional development opportunities to support greater uptake. We therefore hope to secure funding to contract an education facilitator to support both the creation and delivery of the programme. Where groups have fabulous volunteers, we envisage those volunteers still being key to delivery or involvement as they choose but to be able to access support from the facilitator i.e. administration/organising/resource development etc. Some groups want the facilitator to take a lead in delivery also, with volunteers and experts supporting.

We envisage two stages to our programme development the first being working alongside individual members to develop their own site/member group specific programme. Across members we have an opportunity to cover a 'mountains to sea offering' for schools and community groups covering a range of

habitat types (i.e. forest, wetland, estuary, streams etc) along with profiling a range of native species, ecosystem services etc. Members have highlighted the importance of water being a connection point to everything we do.

Member groups may want to operate in a similar way to Maketu Ongatoro Wetland Society and build relationships with their most local schools initially or the suite of opportunities across members could be promoted to all schools and groups across the region.

A core benefit a more professional education framework brings, will be increased awareness of the work community-led conservation groups are undertaking and why, hopefully leading to greater citizen engagement through additional volunteer hours or donations, in turn leading to greater conservation outcomes.

An overview of considerations for Stage one:

<u>Stage 1: Develop initial Member education offerings</u>		
<i>(Note each Member is at different stages and this will impact how much work is required at this stage)</i>		
	On-Site	Off-site
Education	<p><i>Key Considerations/Balancing:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members to consider the purpose of education i.e. awareness raising, engaging volunteer support, meeting school needs, generating donations etc. This is important as it influences target audience etc. • What key messages do members want to deliver? • What makes a worthwhile experience for the participating group (particularly the teacher if it's a school group)? • What activities do our volunteers feel capable of delivering? • Does the member group need support in facilitating? • How many days a year does the member group want to assign to education, may want to cap or simply be demand led? • What links can be made to existing education programmes/facilities? <p><i>Education experience:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build a site-specific education experience for each interested Member group. All these opportunities could be branded under a programme i.e. 'Nature Explorers' beyond the school gate or 'Conservation Champions' etc. • Schools are looking to connect to real life community conservation initiatives but that can be difficult – this presents the opportunity. • Provide Max 2 hours with 2-3 activities (1.25-1.5hrs of activity time) 	<p><i>Key Considerations/Balancing:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What key messages do members want to deliver? • What makes a worthwhile experience for the group (particularly the teacher if it's a school group) • What presentation format/s do our volunteers feel capable of using? • What education tools do we need to make the experience engaging? <p><i>Education experience:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Develop or refine existing 30-45min presentations that can be delivered in schools, to community groups etc. This could be member specific with reference to BCA and other members to show the bigger picture.</i> • Content can overlap age groups

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a RAMS form for schools • Content can overlap age groups • A koha per student could be considered 	
<p>Contribution (used where groups want to contribute to the outcomes of members, not just participate in an education experience)</p>	<p><i>Contribution experience</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed for groups specifically asking to contribute on-site. • Ideally more than one 'job' to choose from e.g. clearing lines of vegetation, bird surveys, monitoring trap lines etc. • Could link to existing volunteer opportunities or be additional • Could include 2hrs of 'physical work' time & 20min education (key messages) • Content can overlap age groups • These opportunities may be limited to a certain number of days per year. <p><i>Key Considerations/Balancing:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What key messages do Members want to deliver? • What form of on-site contribution do Members feel they can trust groups with? • What makes a worthwhile experience for the group (particularly the teacher if it's a school group)? <p><i>Note: Some form of contribution could also be incorporated into the on-site education experience if possible and practical</i></p>	<p><i>Independent Off-site contribution</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members to identify a range of contribution 'jobs' for groups to choose from. e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Building or painting trap boxes - fundraising & donating proceeds - designing promotional posters to be used in Member group marketing • Decide on a few 'jobs' and stick with these. <p><i>Key Considerations/Balancing:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What key messages does the Member group want to deliver? • What is practical for the contributing group? • What is useful for the member group? • What makes a worthwhile experience for the participating group (particularly the teacher if it's a school group)? • How are the logistics managed?

Once member groups are set up well there are a range of other opportunities Bay Conservation could consider widening reach and adding additional value.

STAGE 2: VALUE ADDING EDUCATION & CONTRIBUTION

Once a framework is in place that works for each Member group that wants to deliver education, further steps can be explored. Examples could include:

- Increase ability to share resources across members i.e. stuffed animals etc.
- Develop a high-profile nature trail within Tauranga City, that profiles our member activities and key conservation messages for our region.
- Make stronger links with tertiary institutions building opportunities for environmental students to connect with community conservation groups and add value in areas such as research to better understand the impact of efforts.
- Look at the potential of delivering the Papa Taiao Earthcare programme in our region. This is a sustainability and ecological restoration training programme that enables young people to lead enterprising social, cultural and environmental projects while gaining NCEA qualifications and earthcare skills such as fencing, waterways management etc.
- Further build the relationships with Aongatete lodge. Paying visiting groups could receive an educational experience through Aongatete Forest Restoration Project. The lodge also presents an opportunity of a location to use for professional development training for teachers who want

to increase their own knowledge and ability in delivering nature education activities. Terms 2 & 3 are quieter times for the lodge and with support they would be open to exploring what role they could play in this area.

- As relations with Iwi build consider if/what role we could play in Marae based conservation education.
- Once a proven, high quality experience is perfected then a charge *could* be considered for an educational experience, going back to the member group. (Note: on DOC land this would trigger concession requirements).
- Consider our education offerings as we develop our fundraising plan. i.e. corporate sponsors may be offered a free education experience.
- Junior volunteer groups could be established (either through building links with existing holiday programs like Nature Library or through interested groups through Stage 1.)
- Look for collaboration opportunities with others i.e. Predator Free BOP, Forest & Bird, Envirohub, NZ Landcare Trust, Enviroschools etc.

Clearly defined desired outcomes demonstrating value-add to the community:

Increased awareness and support for community-led conservation

- Engage wider support for community conservation both in the form of volunteers and donations.
- Increase school and community conservation education experiences
- Build the capability of teachers in conservation education through professional development

Connecting education offerings together so they can leverage off one another adding greater value i.e. Learning through Discovery in Tauranga, Wild about New Zealand in the Western Bay etc.

Current funding and future funding options.

Bay Conservation Alliance is seeking the following support that if successful will contribute to our education programme:

Bay of Plenty Regional Council CIF - \$30,000k

Acorn Foundation – \$11,600k (outcome in April)

WBOPDC - \$20k (applying through LTP)

TCC - \$20k (applying through LTP)

We are seeking support from other funders currently to support the wider operations of Bay Conservation Alliance. We are also in the process of developing a strategic funding plan to explore ways in which we can generate funding to support our operations in the future.

Benefit Indicators

*Benefit Indicators are measurable results that demonstrate how the organisation/project objectives have been met. They demonstrate the **value** of your project for our communities and Council. We have included some examples for an environmental project. Please complete any other measurable results that you collect which relate to your project/organisation and add on others that may be more relevant for you.*

Benefit Indicators	Measurable results	Estimates
Community participation		
Volunteers involved in the programme	Number of volunteers involved	20 Volunteers
Volunteer hours in overall programme	Number of volunteer hours undertaken	5000 Volunteer hours

Schools involved in the programme	Number of schools involved	20 Schools – up to 40 teaching days
Student numbers involved	Number of students involved	1200
Community engagements provided	Number of community presentations/engagements	20
Other		
Increased citizen engagement	Number of new volunteers through education programme	50
New donations connected to conservation group	\$ donations that have stemmed through the education programme	\$1200 Gold coin donation per student initially?
Professional development training	Training day for volunteers, educators, teachers etc.	1 annually

Project/Organisation Plan - Year One

Activities <i>(Provide a detailed list of each step in your plan and how you will achieve them)</i>	Start date	Completion date
Undertaking a survey of existing Bay Conservation members on education programme aspirations and needs.	March 2018	May 2018
Seeking funding to contract an experienced educator to support the development of a regional programme	March 2018	June 2018
Recruitment process to contract educator	July 2018	August 2018
Workshop with Bay Conservation Members to introduce educator and scope programme further	August 2018	August 2018
Begin framework and site-specific programme development	August 2018	December 2018
Explore synergies with other education offerings	September 2018	Ongoing
Start building relations with key schools and groups	October 2018	Ongoing
Seek bookings for 2019 programme	November 2018	
Launch new farmewok and facilitated offerings	February 2018	
Exploration of Stage 2 ideas begins	June 2019	
Proffessional development training	June 2019	

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Yes, we agree to sign a contract with Bay of Plenty Regional Council.

Yes, we agree to regularly monitor the project and to report its progress.

Yes, we are committed to completing our desired outcomes.

Yes, we agree that Bay of Plenty Regional Council can use the project in promotional material.

Contributes to the Council Community Outcomes and Objectives

Tick (☑) the Outcome/s and Objective/s that your project supports/aligns with.

- ✓ 1 We develop and implement regional plans and policies to protect our natural environment
- ✓ 2 We manage our natural resources effectively through regulation, education and action
- ✓ 3 We work cohesively with volunteers and others, to sustainably manage and improve our natural resources
- ✓ 4 Our environmental monitoring is transparently communicated to our communities

- ✓ 1 Good decision making is supported through improving knowledge of our water resources
- ✓ 2 We listen to our communities and consider their values and priorities in our regional plans
- ✓ 3 We collaborate with others to maintain and improve our water resource for future generations
- ✓ 4 We deliver solutions to local problems to improve water quality and manage quantity
- ✓ 5 We recognise and provide for Te Mana o Te Wai (intrinsic value of water)

- ✓ 3 We work with our partners to develop plans and policies, and we lead and enable our communities to respond and recover from an emergency
- ✓ 4 We work with our communities, and others to consider long term views of natural hazard risks through our regional plans and policies

- ✓ 3 We work with and connect the right people to create a prosperous region and economy
- ✓ 4 We invest appropriately in infrastructure to support sustainable development

About our project....

REKAWhenua

REKA Trust has been working in the Eastern Bay of Plenty since 2009 implementing food sovereignty strategies to whanau, hapu and iwi at their homes, marae and kura. Food sovereignty is that state of being where all community residents obtain a safe, culturally acceptable, nutritionally adequate diet through a sustainable food system that maximises community self-reliance and social justice. Food sovereignty is the right of peoples, communities and countries to define their own agricultural, labour, fishing, food and land policies which are ecologically, socially, economically and culturally appropriate to their unique circumstances. It includes the true right to food and to produce food, which means that all people have the right to safe, nutritious and culturally appropriate food and to food - producing resources and the ability to sustain themselves and societies.

REKAwhenua is REKA Trusts project working with Maori Land Owners to reconnect them to their whenua (land) by teaching them about sustainable living, eating healthy and keeping physically active to be well. Maori Land to the south and west of Whakatane is significant and the land is rich and fertile. Enabling Maori Land Owners to move back on to that land to build and or create sustainable lifestyles for themselves is a key activity. Reduced living costs, healthier lifestyles and land development opportunities to form Ahu Whenua Trust Clusters and invest in economic development initiatives is a key outcome.

Food is filled with opportunities to nurture the collaborative, win-win relationships and institutions essential to economic success today. All residents win when the community becomes more self-reliant in its food sourcing and reduce imports because the additional local purchases increase the multiplier effect- the same dollar goes further simply because it didn't go farther away. Likewise, no one in the community wins when some go hungry; the problem of under-nourishment just crops up in higher medical bills (and social costs) that everyone pays for. On top of that, food is particularly well-suited to community economic development. More Maori Land Owners moving back on to their whenua to live sustainably includes learning the key values of Kaitiakitanga. Work towards clean rivers and waterways in and around Whakatane are key to the success of REKAwhenua.

A lot of Maori Land around Whakatane is underutilised or leased to Maize Growers and Dairy Farmers giving little or no return to most Maori Land Owners. Ironically many Land Owners and or their whanau live in the Whakatane township paying high rents that many are struggling with, yet they or their whanau own Land only 5 to 10 kilometres away. The town is experiencing rental Housing shortages and homelessness has increased significantly in the central business district.

REKAwhenua aligns to He Mauri Ohoho, the Bay of Connections Māori Economic Development Strategy and its Maori Land Utilisation plan. REKA Trust is the connector or link required to facilitate the amalgamation of smaller land holdings to form large scale operations with the ability to leverage greater opportunities, develop business partnerships and stimulate growth. We are applying for a CIF grant to cover a 3-year period to support

our REKAwhenua project working with Maori Land Owners in and around the township of Whakatane.

REKA Trust projects are supported by academic research findings from two research projects that we completed between 2013 to 2016 under the Nga Kanohi Kitea community research stream from the New Zealand Health Research Council. Individuals and groups in our Eastern Bay of Plenty communities were engaged in conversations around food security and food sovereignty as part of those research projects.

Distinguished Professor Graham Hingangaroa Smith presents REKA Trusts work as an example of Economic Development to Masters students of Te Whare Wananga o Awanuiarangi, at National conferences and International symposiums around the world. He advocates the 360 - degree interventions that REKA Trust delivers in the community as the method that should be utilised by large Maori Land Trusts who are making a lot of profits however Maori whanau are still dying prematurely from degenerative diseases (with strong links to inadequate nutrition), suffering from poverty, homelessness and drug and alcohol addictions. A video of DP G H Smith discussing this can be viewed on the REKA Trust page on Facebook. The economic development research paper "He Mangopare Amohia" discusses this method of Maori economic development in more depth to support the ideals of REKAwhenua.

REKA Trust Chairperson is responsible for Leading the development of the Hapu Resource Management Plan project for the hapu of Ngati Pukeko, Ngati Rangataua and Ngai Tamapare who are located directly south of Whakatane in Poroporo, Pahou and Rewatu. Her whakapapa and community profile has earned the support of many members of the community. Riparian, mauri enhancement and toxic site identification and remediation projects on Maori Land alongside and close to the Whakatane river from Te Rahu Bridge in Paroa to the Pekatahi bridge in Taneatua will follow the development of the HRMP.

A Logic Model that aligns project activities to key outcomes will be used to measure the effectiveness of REKAwhenua over the next 3-year period and the key outcomes are:

1. Clean rivers and waterways in and around Whakatane
2. Maori Land Owners building homes on their lands, growing food and living sustainably
3. Maori Land Owners fully involved in economic development initiatives

Key activities will be the completion of the HRMP and the subsequent initiatives listed above that will follow on from that to achieve the first outcome. Community liaison, promotion, communications, stakeholder management and operations will also be provided to achieve that outcome. Community meetings, events and information workshops will be delivered to Maori Land Owners to inspire, encourage and enable them to make life changing choices to take themselves, their whanau and communities forward. REKA Trusts knowledge, experience and networks to achieving Outcomes 2 & 3 are vast, we are focussed on our outcomes we are experienced in delivering services and benefits to our communities.

REKA Trust is currently a funding recipient of BOPRC EEF fund and we have applied to JR McKenzie Trust for support with this project as well.

Benefit Indicators Benefit Indicators are measurable results that demonstrate how the organisation/project objectives have been met. They demonstrate the value of your project for our communities and Council. We have included some examples for an environmental project. Please complete any other measurable results that you collect which relate to your project/organisation and add on others that may be more relevant for you.

Benefit Indicators	Measurable results	Estimates
Clean River & Waterways in Whakatane	Water Quality improvements	Year 3
Food production on Maori Land	Land Block Clusters formed	Year 1
Papakainga development	Land Owners building homes & living sustainably	Year 2
A vibrant region	Happy, healthy and prosperous communities	Year 10

Project Plan: Year One

Activities	Start Date	Completion date
Implement business plan	Month 1	Month 36
Develop communications strategy	Month 1	Month 1
Implement communications strategy	Month 2	Month 36
Set budgets	Month 1	Month 36
Identify and connect with key stakeholders	Month 1	Month 36
Set project milestones	Month 1	Month 25
Deliver activities to achieve milestones	Month 3	Month 12

Budget Proposal Year One

List costs (excl GST)	Amount requesting
Labour	
Contractor/Consultant/Coordinator	
20 hours weekly @ \$30 an hour	\$31,200
Other Costs	
Travel	\$3,000
Communications	\$1,920
Administration costs	\$3,880
Subtotals	A 20.000
Contributions from other organisations	B 0.00
Contributions applied for from other organisations	C 20.000
Total Cost of Project	\$40,000

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Option selected:

Topic four ~ comments/feedback:

Topic five: Regional Development: "Should we fund infrastructure projects delivered by other organisations?"

Option selected:

Topic five ~ comments/feedback:

Other comments or general feedback:

Document submission:

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Funding application or not:

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Consultation ID: EM93

Individual or organisation: Organisation

Document provider name: Rotorua X Charitable Trust

Document submission name: EM93 Rotorua X Charitable Trust; PLUS 2
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Rotorua X Charitable Trust"

BOPRC Community Initiative Fund Application

Applying Organisation: **Rotorua X Charitable Trust**
 PO Box 1486, Rotorua 3040

Contact: Rachael McGarvie Phone: 021 271 1517
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Fund Questions:

Please highlight yes/no as applicable.

- yes/no** Our group/organisation's outcomes align to at least one of Council's Community Outcomes.
- yes/no** Our group/organisation and the project location are within the Bay of Plenty.
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Contributes to the Council Community Outcomes and Objectives

Tick (✓) the Outcome/s and Objective/s that your project supports/aligns with.

1	We lead regional transport strategy and system planning, working with others to deliver a safe and reliable public transport system	
2	We contribute to delivering integrated planning and growth management strategies especially for sustainable urban management	
3	We work with and connect the right people to create a prosperous region and economy	✓
4	We invest appropriately in infrastructure to support sustainable development	

A vibrant region

We work with our partners and communities to achieve integrated planning and good decision-making. We support economic development, understanding the Bay of Plenty region and how we can best add value.

Toitū te rohe

E mahi tahi ana mātau me ō mātau hoa, hāpori hoki kia eke ai ngā mahere kōmitimiti me te tuku whakatau pai. E tautoko ana mātau i te whanaketanga ōhanga, te mōhio pū ki te rohe o Toi Moana, ā, me pēhea te whakarei ake.

About your organisation....

Rotorua X is the fastest growing professional/business networking group in the wider Bay of Plenty with event attendance and community engagement continuing to accelerate.

It is our mission to connect and inspire businesses and social enterprises for the economic wellbeing of our region. We have built a community of like-minded individuals.

We do this by delivering free events that provide inspirational stories and connectivity for the leaders, business owners and professionals in Rotorua and the wider the Bay of Plenty.

Our values are truly EPIC: Exciting, Pioneering, Innovative and Collaborative.

Founded in 2009, we formalised the structure of our organisation in 2013 as a Charitable Trust to ensure our long-term sustainability. A Trust Deed was developed, and a Board of Trustees appointed. We have five trustees who meet on a regular basis to provide oversight and governance for the strategic direction of Rotorua X.

BENEFITS TO THE DISTRICT:

We help connect the right people to create a prosperous region and economy.

We have the ambition to inspire new and prospective entrepreneurs in Rotorua and the wider Bay of Plenty. We want to inject vibrancy and energy to the Rotorua business community. We need local people to want to take the scary and exhilarating journey of entrepreneurship. And we want to help them build long-term enterprises.

Our focus is on inspiring, educating and connecting small or medium business owners and social enterprises. The outcome is for them to learn business skills and make connections to grow their organisations to be more successful.

About 90% of businesses in New Zealand are small business with under six staff. Rotorua and the wider bay are no different with many small and family businesses. They are in fact the engine room of our local economy. We also have a significant number of social enterprises.

Unfortunately, most small to medium enterprises have a short life span. Research from Institute of Directors shows only three out of ten small or medium businesses get to celebrate their fifth birthday and only one out of ten make it to double digits.

By helping individual business owners and social enterprise managers to succeed, this in turn provides more jobs for locals and fosters a vibrant and energetic business and charitable community.

OUR EVENTS

× *Connect*

The monthly Connect event provides a forum to inspire the Rotorua business community with successful entrepreneurs, sports stars and community leaders. Our focus is on creating an energetic event where people share, listen and connect.

Our event attendance has doubled to 50-70 per event, and in many cases our numbers are at the venue capacity.



Over the years we have had an incredible line of speakers including:

- Joe La Grouw, CEO of NZ's most trusted brand sharing his journey of making and losing his first million
- Paralympian Danny McBride
- Olympic Canoeist Luuka Jones
- Casey Eden – founder of Neighbourly
- Sam Hazeldine – founder of MedRecruit
- Ray Cook – Rotorua businessman and property developer
- Maree Tassell – iFindProperty
- Sue De Bievre - founder of Beany.com
- Bill Murphy – Executive Director Enterprise Angels
- Josh Daniell – founder of Snowball Effect (NZ first online equity platform)
- Mayoral candidates & Electoral candidates leading up to local and central government elections
- Taupo Beef owners Mike & Sharon Barton
- Paul Charteris, founder of NZ's premium endurance event - the Tarawera Ultramarathon
- Anna Guenther, co-founder of Pledgeme
- James Fitzgerald, Canopy Tours

Our monthly Connect events have conservatively hosted, connected, educated and inspired more than 1,000 business people over the past five years.

✂ Pitch Night

We have an ambition to inspire new and prospective entrepreneurs in Rotorua. We want to inject vibrancy and energy to the Rotorua business community. We need local people to want to take the scary and exhilarating journey of entrepreneurship.

To foster this culture of entrepreneurship we provide an opportunity for entrepreneurs of commercial and not-for-profit organisations to practice their pitch and receive constructive feedback.



In front of a live audience businesses and social organisations have five minutes to pitch to a panel of community and business leaders.

In 2017 we had a \$13,000 prize pool of business support services, mentoring and training, six EPIC pitches, an amazing panel of judges and 150 people in the audience.



Funding requirements

Rotorua X relies solely on funding and sponsorship to cover event organisation/costs, contractors, administration, marketing and trustee expenses.

In total Rotorua X is seeking \$7,000 split over three years to help us be able to deliver our events for the benefit of the business and wider community.

Without funding we will reduce the number of events held. We have attached a forecast for 2018 financial year with confirmed sponsorship arrangements (our balance date is 31 December) as well as our 2017 profit and loss statement.

Funding from the Bay of Plenty Community Initiatives Fund will enable us to continue to make a real impact on the Rotorua economy by helping create a vibrant and energetic business and charitable community.

Regional Council communication opportunities

Benefits for Bay of Plenty Regional Council to fund Rotorua X include the ability to promote and communicate to a wide audience the key messages important to the Regional Council. This could include targeted messages around Biosecurity risks such as Catfish spread and the important key messages relevant to the Rotorua Lakes Programme.

Bay of Plenty Regional Council has supported Rotorua X previously with sponsorship from 2013-2015. At our events lake and air quality programme representatives have spoken multiple times over the last eight years to raise awareness of work and initiatives from the Regional Council in the Rotorua and wider Bay of Plenty area.

Business community feedback

4.9/5 feedback review score on Facebook

Following our events Rotorua X receives unsolicited feedback via emails, social media posts and reviews:

“I JUST WANTED TO SAY A HUGE THANK YOU FOR PUTTING ON AN AMAZING EVENT FOR ROTORUA X. YOU GUYS ARE THE EPITOME OF PROFESSIONALISM, ORGANISATION, BUSINESS NOUSE, COMMUNITY, FAMILY, ENTREPRENEURSHIP ALL ROLLED INTO ONE INCREDIBLE PACKAGE. YOUR ATTENTION TO DETAIL IS PHENOMENAL. I WAS TRULY IN AWE OF THE JUDGES, AND I REALLY GAVE IT EVERYTHING I HAD. I WANTED THEM TO GO AWAY REALLY FEELING LIKE ROTORUA HAS A THRIVING, EXCITING ENTREPRENEURIAL COMMUNITY.” Julia Charity – Look After Me

“HAVING AN OPPORTUNITY TO LISTEN TO THE OTHER PARTICIPANT’S PITCHES AND SHARE WHAT WE DO IS GREAT. IT HELPS PEOPLE TO BE INNOVATIVE, TAKE A RISK AND RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM THE JUDGES AND AUDIENCE.” Hielke Oppers - Disabled Diving NZ

“I REALLY ENJOYED THE EVENT WEDNESDAY EVENING, A WONDERFUL INITIATIVE AND GREAT FOR THE CITY TO HAVE THE PLATFORM TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE FRESH AND INNOVATIVE IDEAS. THANK YOU TO YOURSELF AND OTHERS FOR FACILITATING, LOOK FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR.” Tony Slack – Bayleys

“I REALLY ENJOYED LAST NIGHT. THE WHOLE EVENT WAS WELL PUT TOGETHER AND A BEAUTIFUL VENUE – I CAN JUST SEE THIS EVENT GROWING.” Ingrid Snyman – Index Engineering

“THANKS FOR ANOTHER MOST EXCELLENT EVENING LAST NIGHT. I REALLY ENJOYED ALL OF THE PITCHES – AND HAD A GREAT TIME ALL-ROUND, WHILST MEETING A SWAG MORE PEOPLE!” Tony Gill – Rotorua Energy Charitable Trust

“GREAT GROUP OF DEDICATED PEOPLE WHO ARE FOCUSED ON MAKING A CHANGE!” Sarah Atkinson – Juggle Bookkeeping



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“ABSOLUTELY LOVED THE EVENING. THANKS SO MUCH RACHAEL MCGARVIE AND DARREN MCGARVIE AND FAMILY (GORGEOUS KIDS) FOR HOSTING YET ANOTHER FANTASTIC EVENING” Nadia Christensen – Professionals Real Estate

“THIS FILLS A GAP PARTICULARLY FOR ENTREPRENEURS. THERE ARE PLENTY OF BUSINESS FORUMS (E.G. BNI, CHAMBER EVENTS) BUT THIS IS GREAT TO MEET LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE.”
Rotorua X Survey Feedback

“FANTASTIC EVENING, EXCELLENT VENUE @ PEPPERS ON THE POINT, GREAT CATCHING UP WITH NEW AND OLD FACES. INTERESTING CONVERSATIONS AND GENERALLY A BRILLIANT NIGHT ALL ROUND! HIGHLY RECOMMEND A+++.”
Michele Cutelli

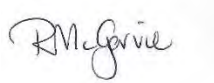
Thank You

Once again thank you for your support of **Rotorua X** and our vision to connect, educate and inspire the Rotorua community.

Kind regards,



Darren McGarvie
Board Chair



Rachael McGarvie
Trustee

Our Board of *Trustees*



Darren McGarvie BCom (Economics)
Trustee / Board Chair

Director
Flair Group
2013 Aspiring Director of the Year (Bay of Plenty)
2012 Emerging Business Leader of the Year (Rotorua)



Anna Grayling LLB, BSC
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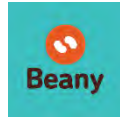
Our Sponsors

We have a family of financial and in-kind sponsors. Our current sponsors are:

Titanium



Platinum



Gold



Silver



Bronze





2018 Cashflow Forecast

Excluding GST	Full Year Forecast
Bronze Sponsorship	3,594
Platinum Sponsorship	4,497
Gold Sponsorship	999
Titanium Sponsorship	9,998
TOTAL CASH IN	\$19,088
LESS OPERATING EXPENSES	
Bank Fees	14
Event Expenses	5,611
Event Organisation & Administration	12,000
Marketing	6,270
Website Expenses	100
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$23,995
OPERATING SURPLUS / DEFICIT	-\$4,907

Profit & Loss

Rotorua X 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2017

31 Dec 17

Income

Events - Rotorua X Start Up Pitch Night	4,294
Sponsorship - Bronze	1,990
Sponsorship - RX Connect	5,145
Sponsorship - RX Gold Class	999
Sponsorship - RX Mastery	1,047
Sponsorship - Titanium	7,499
Total Income	20,974

Less Cost of Sales

Event Expenses - Rotorua X Start Up Pitch Night	1,325
Event Expenses - RX Connect	4,502
Total Cost of Sales	5,827

Gross Profit **15,147**

Plus Other Income	
Interest Income	6
Total Other Income	6

Less Operating Expenses

Advertising	53
Bank Fees	9
Consulting & Accounting	62
Event Management & Administration	6,000
Marketing	6,042
Marketing - Contra Supported	(200)
Website Expenses	77
Total Operating Expenses	12,043

Net Profit **3,111**

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English

Topic One: Rivers and Drainage Flood Recovery Project: "What approach should we take to managing the flood repairs from the April 2017 floods in the Eastern Bay of Plenty"

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Topic three ~ comments/feedback:

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Option selected:

Topic four ~ comments/feedback:

Topic five: Regional Development: "Should we fund infrastructure projects delivered by other organisations?"

Option selected:

Topic five ~ comments/feedback:

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Funding application or not:

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Submission ID: EM96

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Option selected:

Topic four ~ comments/feedback:

Topic five: Regional Development: "Should we fund infrastructure projects delivered by other organisations?"

Option selected:

Topic five ~ comments/feedback:

Other comments or general feedback:

Document submission:

Document submission name:

Funding application or not:

Funding application name:

Consultation ID: EM96

Individual or organisation: Individual

Document provider name: Christine Caughey and others

Document submission name: **EM96 Christine Caughey and others**

Submission to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Rotorua Lakes Catchment Asset Management Plan 2018-2028 Draft for
consultation

From: Christine Caughey and others
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1. Thank you for the opportunity to submit to the Rotorua Lakes Catchment Asset Management Plan 2018-2028 Draft for consultation.

2. We submit that the outstanding qualities of the region are not adequately represented in the following statement. It is requested that the words added in orange be included as marked, in para 2.1.1 below

2.1.1 The natural environment

The Bay of Plenty region has a number of prominent features and landmarks. The prominent features of the region include islands such as Matakana, Tuhua (Mayor) and an active volcano; Whakaari (White Island). Other distinctive landmarks in the region include the numerous lakes and the outstanding natural landscapes of the Rotorua district and the distinctive peaks of Mount Tarawera and Putauaki, the Tauranga and Ohiwa Harbours and Mauao (Mount Maunganui).

3. 3.4 Key planning assumption and limitation of this plan.

We submit that this section should include reference to the advantages of land acquisition as a tool for land and water management and for economic development. A regional park would offer this tool. For example, this could provide an essential step in water quality management in the Lake Okareka catchment. Despite measures to introduce sewage reticulation, lake water quality has not improved as expected. Taking land out of grazing and then re-vegetating with indigenous planting is the most effective way of improving water quality in this instance. It would also go a significant way in achieving the principles of the council's 18 April 2007 Memorandum with key stakeholders.

It would provide for an integrated approach at a strategic level to support improved water quality through retirement of grazed land, replanting of indigenous vegetation and tourism including walking and horse riding, mountain biking and connection with other trails in the region. It would enable the Natural Capitals Protocols to be evaluated that would also support the financial and economic imperative.

<https://www.wbcds.org/Clusters/Natural-Capital-and-Ecosystems/Natural-Capital-Protocol>

Such an approach would enable the council to address its “caretaker role” to *promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources for present and future generations. Page 10*

It is submitted that the lakes capital fund should be extended to include \$12m for the acquisition of a third regional park.

Please refer to the attached submission in relation to the Regional Parks AMP 2018-28 which is to be read as part of this submission.

4. 4.5 Lakes Strategy: The strategy should provide for the management of lakes activities on the water. There should be policy introduced to protect the activities/use of the lakes for the general public, to prevent the annexing areas of the lake for what amounts to “privatization”.

There should also be policy to address the carrying capacity of activities on small and sensitive lakes and their catchments to provide opportunity for all. In particular the permanent layout of slalom course buoys that join and interconnect for several hundred metres appears to be possible, as evidenced at Lake Okareka. If this construction proceeds, it would render that part of the lake permanently inaccessible for most other lake users. Without such an addition in the strategy and policies it makes the range of assessment for any application very narrow and ineffective.

We submit that policy be introduced that protects the lake for public use, from permanent annexation for specific activities /users. This is a gap in the plan that needs addressing in order to keep the lakes values safe for present and future generations.

5. 5.1 Health and Safety. Activities on the lakes are not adequately addressed in relation to health and safety and risk management. As use of the lakes increases there will be increasing risks and the need for wise management of conflicting activities, especially where speed is involved. The Plan needs to add a section to provide for greater management while at the same time protecting public access to all parts of the lakes, as a human right. Ref the Risk Management Plan Page 9. This should be amended to include this provision.

Risk/Issues Management Plan Details the processes and tools put in place to successfully manage identification; classification; assessment; treatment and escalation of risks and issues. Page 9

6. 5.9 Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992 Is this the most relevant statute to quote? There are others statutes and regulations that should also be cited to provide currency.

7. 6.2 Major capital works programme and Table 10

The Lake Okareka Pipeline expenditure is supported. The lake is prone to flooding for extended periods. Property is damaged and more is at risk. Climate change is bringing increased inundation and stronger weather events that make this necessary.

Submission of Christine Caughey and others to the Regional Parks Asset Management Plan 2018-2028 should be read in association with and as part of this submission.

Submission to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Regional Parks Asset Management Plan 2018-2028 Draft for
consultation

To be read as part of the attached submission to the Rotorua Lakes
Catchment Asset Management Plan 2018-2028 Draft for consultation

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1. Thank you for the opportunity to address issues in the Draft Regional Parks Asset Management Plan 2018-2028.
2. Figure 1 Summary of Asset Management Plan scope provides the Regional Parks Policy 2013

• In 2003, Bay of Plenty Regional Council approved the Policy on Regional Parks that allows it to secure land for use by the public. The policy gives priority to coastal peninsulas and spits, harbour headlands, salt marshes and land by lakes, rivers and wetlands.

This policy is supported, however we submit that it must be given effect, for the wellbeing of the region. There is no evidence in the plan that this policy has been given effect to in recent years, despite requests.

There should be a strategy for giving effect to the policy. The region's population is projected to rise significantly in the next 25 years. It is essential that the council actively provide for new regional parks for the protection of outstanding landscapes: land and its waterways and lakes within catchments. This will provide for the wellbeing of present and future generations.

The acquisition of additional land for regional park purposes will provide for:

- the recreation needs of local communities and all New Zealanders ;
 - a strong base for increased tourism in the region;
 - economic growth of the region and the nation;
 - the ability to manage and protect natural ecological systems; the conservation of key natural assets of the region, for present and future generations;
 - The ability to reduce degradation of outstanding natural landscapes and catchments by strategic selection of park location;
 - The ability to exercise its statutory duties in relation to monitoring and maintenance of water quality in the public domain;
 - The ability to manage and enhance the ‘spillover effects’, positive and negative of land and water management systems. This would support forest, flora and fauna and water quality and the wellbeing of ecological systems both in the parks and the surrounding areas.
3. Table 1 identifies two regional parks and that none are proposed. The regional council must establish a strategy to add to its natural capital base, for the benefit of a growing population and to support the decline of the region’s environmental capital.
 4. The council needs to refocus its business plan to provide accordingly, to reduce its “borrowing from the future” due to ongoing environmental degradation.
 5. The opportunity for funding the acquisition of natural assets such as regional parks has changed in recent years. The Council needs to actively research additional funding sources in pursuing the purchase of new regional parks.
 - debt to support intergenerational capital funding spreads the load and shares responsibility;
 - the carbon economy offers new opportunities that support climate change mitigation while supporting the offsets from business;
 - crowd-sourced funding; this has already been successful in NZ to secure public space;
 - additional funding sources may be committed from the central and local government, from environmental trusts and from legacies;

- Key partnership and stakeholders are important to secure improvement, management and operations of regional parks.

It is important that there is a proactive approach to funding in the review of the Revenue and Finance Policy as part of the Long Term Plan and Annual Plan Process.

In conclusion, support for the identified risk in the draft plan (page 41 cited below) is submitted.

The risks that threaten the expected future or outlook are:

- *Delays in purchasing land means opportunities for the future may be lost*

Further, where purchases are delayed, opportunities for land purchase may be missed, costs will escalate with time, and environmental degradation of precious and outstanding natural landscapes and their catchments and waterways will be ongoing.

The council needs to re evaluate its priorities away from roading and non-essential infrastructure, to invest in the purchase of regional parks of significance.