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# 1. Public Forum

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**Reporting officer** Carolyne Brindle (Senior Meeting Co-ordinator)

**Date** 20 July 2012

## Public Forum

Appendix F in Standing Orders allows for a period of up to 15 minutes to be set aside for a public forum at the commencement of each monthly council meeting.

The time allowed for each speaker is 3 minutes.

Members of the public who wish to participate should send a written application setting out the subject matter and the names of the speakers to the Chief Executive Officer at least 5 working days before the day of the meeting.

## Speakers

The following persons/organisations have indicated their intention to speak at today's meeting:

Time	Speaker	Subject
10.00 – 10.03am	Peter Gubb and Claire Hurst (on behalf of the Whangaruru North Residents & Ratepayers Association)	Tar-sealing of Whangaruru North Rd and the implications for Tourism to Whangaruru North Head Peninsula – specifically the DOC camp at Puriri Bay and Camp Kiwi Project at Admirals Bay

## 2. Minutes: Whangarei District Council Wednesday, 25 July 2012

*Minutes of a meeting of the Whangarei District Council held in the Council Chamber, Forum North on Wednesday 25 July 2012 at 10.00 am*

### **Present:**

His Worship the Mayor M C A Cutforth (Chairperson)

Crs C B Christie, S J Deeming, S M Glen, P R Halse, J S Jongejans, G M Martin, B L McLachlan, S L Morgan, K J Sutherland, W L Syers, M R Williams and J D T Williamson

### **Apology:**

Cr A J Edwards

**Moved: Cr Halse**

**Seconded: Cr Martin**

“That the apology be sustained.”

**CARRIEE**

### **Also present:**

Relieving Area Commander Tracy Phillips and Senior Sargeant Clifford Metcalfe (New Zealand Police)  
Liz Inch (Communications Manager Northland DHB) and Ngaire Rae (Manaiia Health PHO) - Public Forum  
Vivienne Shepherd – Public Forum

### **In Attendance:**

Chief Executive Officer (M P Simpson), Group Manager Support Services (A Adcock), Group Manager Positive Growth (J Thompson), Group Manager Infrastructure and Services (S Weston), Economic Development Manager (P Gleeson), Governance Manager (D Kula), Property Manager (M Hibbert), Venue and Events Manager (J Lynch), Legal Counsel (K Candy), Community Services Manager (O Thomas), Marketing Events Manager (R O’Gorman), Financial Accountant (K Welford), Community Safety Officer (D Palmer), Media Relations Adviser (A Midson), Personal Assistant (J Walters), Casual Communications Adviser (S Halliwell), Councillor Support (J Crocombe) and Senior Meeting Co-ordinator (C Brindle)

## 1. Public Forum

Tabled: Notification of a further speaker – Vivienne Shepherd

Liz Inch and Ngaire Rae – Family Violence “It’s Not Ok in Whangarei” Launch

Vivienne Shepherd - Dogs and Psychomotor Behaviour

Ms Shepherd failed to speak on her topic and behaved inappropriately. His Worship the Mayor advised Ms Shepherd her behaviour was unacceptable and she may be required to leave the meeting should she persist.

His Worship the Mayor having warned Ms Shepherd on at least two occasions that unless she modified her behaviour he would require her to leave the Council Chambers, read the following statement:

- “1. *That pursuant to section 50(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and clause 3.16.1 of the Standing Orders, after warning you on several occasions I believe on reasonable grounds that your behaviour at this meeting is likely to prejudice or to continue to prejudice the orderly conduct of this meeting if you remain at this meeting therefore you are required to leave the meeting.*

*If you refuse to leave this meeting or re-enter this meeting after leaving, I will ask the Chief Executive to have you excluded from the meeting pursuant to section 50(2) and clause 3.16.2 of the standing orders.”*

**Moved: His Worship the Mayor**  
**Seconded: Cr Syers**

“That Vivienne Shepherd be declined the opportunity to continue speaking.”

**CARRIED**

**Moved: His Worship the Mayor**  
**Seconded: Cr Martin**

“That the meeting be adjourned for a 10 minute interval and reconvene in the Council Chambers.”

**CARRIED**

*Crs Glen, Halse and Sutherland left the meeting at 10.08am prior to Vivienne Shepherd addressing Public Forum and rejoined the meeting at 10.24am.  
The meeting adjourned at 10.14am and reconvened in the Council Chambers at 10.24am*

## **2. Confirmation of Minutes of a Meeting of the Whangarei District Council held on 27 June 2012**

**Moved: Cr Halse**  
**Seconded: Cr Deeming**

“That the minutes of the meeting of the Whangarei District Council held on Wednesday 30 May 2012, including the confidential section, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting.”

**CARRIED**

## **3. Confirmation of Minutes of an Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Whangarei District Council held 12 July 2012**

**Moved: Cr Glen**  
**Seconded: Cr Morgan**

“That the minutes of an Extra-ordinary the meeting of the Whangarei District Council held on Thursday 12 July 2012 having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting.”

**CARRIED**

## **4. Police Report**

His Worship the Mayor read a statement acknowledging former Area Commander Paul Dimery’s contributions to the region.

Acting Area Commander Tracy Phillips and Senior Sargeant Clifford Metcalfe spoke to the report and answered questions from Councillors.

**Moved: Cr Martin**  
**Seconded: Cr Glen**

“That the information be received.”

**CARRIED**

## 5. 20/20 Inner City Development (City Centre/Urban Design) Subcommittee

**Moved: Cr Halse**  
**Seconded: Cr Williams**

- "1. That Council receive this information.
2. That Councillors S J Deeming and G M Martin be appointed to the 20/20 Inner City Development (City Centre/Urban Design) Subcommittee and the Terms of Reference be updated accordingly."

**CARRIED**

## 6. Local Government Act (2002) Amendment Bill

**Moved: Cr Syers**  
**Seconded: Cr Christie**

- "1. That Council receive this information.
2. That Council adopt the submission to the Local Government and Environment Select Committee; including the amendment recommending the four well-beings remain as part of the purpose and consequential changes to clause 2.1.
3. That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make any changes agreed at this meeting and any necessary minor drafting, typographical or presentation corrections.
4. That the Chief Executive Officer be delegated to be heard in support of the adopted submission should he consider this necessary closer to the time of hearings."

**CARRIED**

## Exclusion of public

**Moved: Cr Syers**  
**Seconded: Cr Deeming**

"That the public be excluded from the following part(s) of this meeting namely:

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|----------|---|
| Item C.1 | Confidential Minutes of the Whangarei District Council meeting held 27 June 2012  |
| Item C.2 | Business Plan   |
| Reasons  | To enable the council to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage commercial activities and to protect the privacy of natural persons |
| Grounds  | Section 7(2)(a) & (h)."   |

**CARRIED**

**The meeting closed at 11.40am**

Confirmed this 22 August 2012

M C A Cutforth (Chairperson)

### 3. Minutes: 20/20 Inner City Development (City Centre/Urban Design) Subcommittee Wednesday, 1 August 2012

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*Minutes of a meeting of the 20/20 Inner City Development (City Centre/Urban Design) Subcommittee held in the Council Chamber Forum North on Wednesday, 1 August 2012 at 1.00pm*

**Present:**

Cr P R Halse (Chairperson)

His Worship the Mayor M C A Cutforth, Crs, G M Martin,, K J Sutherland and M R Williams

**Apologies:**

Crs S J Deeming and A J Edwards

**Moved: Cr Sutherland**

**Seconded Cr Williams**

“That the apologies be sustained.”

**CARRIED**

**Also present:**

Crs S M Glen, J S Jongejans, B L McLachlan and S L Morgan

**In Attendance:**

Chief Executive Officer (M P Simpson), Group Manager Environment (P Dell), Group Manager Infrastructure and Services (S Weston), Group Manager Positive Growth (J Thompson), Property and Community Services Manager (M Hibbert), Economic Development Manager (P Gleeson), Team Leader Inspections (KCrocombe), Senior Landscape Architect (B Gilmour), N Karlovsky (Senior Specialist Urban Design and Policy), Communications Adviser (A Midson) and Senior Meeting Co-ordinator (C Brindle)

**Moved: Cr Halse**

**Seconded: Cr Sutherland**

“That Item C.1 Property Transaction be taken in open meeting.”

**CARRIED**

#### 1. Walkway Stage 2 – Loop Walkway

**Moved Cr Williams**

**Seconded Cr Sutherland**

“1. That the report be received.

2. That the project proceeds for detailed design, construction documentation and construction with a view to having the works completed by June 2013.”

**CARRIED**

#### C.1. Central City Carpark

**Moved Cr Williams**

**Seconded Cr Sutherland**

“1. That the information be received.



2. That Council support the re-branding of the current John Street Car Park as 'Central City Car Park.
3. That Council support the expenditure detailed in Stage 1 of the proposal within the existing 2012/2013 operating budget.
4. That Council consider the expenditure detailed in Stage 2 of the proposal, after consideration of occupancy rates as a result of Stage 1."

**CARRIED**

**The meeting closed at 1.37pm**

Confirmed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 2012

P R Halse (Chairperson)

## 4. Police Report

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**Reporting officer** Carolyne Brindle (Senior Meeting Co-ordinator)

**Date** 10 August 2012

The attached report has been received from Relieving Area Commander, Acting Area Commander Tracy Phillips for Whangarei/Kaipara.

### Recommendation

That the information be received.

### Attachment

[Police Report](#)



## Whangārei / Kaipara Area

# Council report July 2012

### Introduction

I am trying something new with Council reports and am interested in your feedback. My plan is to engage you better through story-telling rather than numbers. Having attended last month's meeting which was different to any Council meeting I had ever attended, I do feel like I have licence to try.

My first impression of the Whangārei area is that the area is very warm and friendly. The people here are different to the larger centres. In under a week I had been offered a place to stay and had been invited out for dinner. That just doesn't happen in Wellington.

Now I have been here almost a month I am recognising people in the street and people are coming up and speaking to me by name. I feel like a local - Cyril at New World remembered me and greeted me by name as he packed my groceries last night. I have no doubt I will be held accountable!

The staff at the Police have really impressed me with their efficiency and professionalism.

Since I last addressed you we have had the very sad murder of Ashlee Edwards and I was humbled by the response to Police at her funeral.

### Crime

I can advise that compared to last year, crime is tracking downwards according to our target which is to reduce crime by 13% by 2014.

Police are working to change the mindset of our people, putting prevention first and the needs of the victim at the forefront. We will do this through leadership, a victim focus.

There is substantial planning that focuses Police on the five drivers of crime:

1. Youth
2. Families
3. Alcohol
4. Organised Crime and Drugs
5. Road Policing

By leadership we will ensure we increase the visibility and availability of senior officers who will role model intelligence-informed policing and ensure a focused urgency around priority offenders. At the same time we are also considering the better use of alternative resolutions and discretion when appropriate.

It is an exciting time with Areas increasingly being responsible for finding their own solutions and developing accountability frameworks. Certainly our District Commander is keen for our staff to try new things and see if we can make a difference.

### **Operation Fire Alarm**

On the 8th of August 2012, Whangārei Police and partners (including Council with thanks to Dave Palmer - City Safe) and volunteers contributed to the first of the planned monthly prevention operations.

The purpose of the operation was multifaceted and included high visibility, community reassurance and the widespread distribution of prevention advice packs.

Over 1,000 prevention packs were distributed and included, amongst other things, 'City Safe' and 'It's not OK' advice inspired by the previous presentation at last month's Council meeting.

The operation included specific targeting of hot locations and currently active offenders, who were sought on warrants or were on bail, and included cold calls on high risk offenders.

Feedback from the public was overwhelmingly positive. Shopkeepers have asked us to conduct the next one in the school holidays.

As an example of the generosity of the Whangārei people, one couple who were stopped at a checkpoint dipped into their wallets and tried to donate money to the Police. We don't accept donations but it was a lovely and genuine gesture that reflects the spirit of the area.

I am looking forward to engaging with even more community partners during these operations in the future months.

### **Area Commander vacancy**

The vacancy for the Area Commander's position has been advertised and closed on the 10th of August. The panel will review the applications in due course and select people to be interviewed. Once that process is completed an announcement will be made. This process could take around two months. The panel consists of two senior Police officers and two community representatives, including an iwi representative.

Inspector Tracy Phillips  
Relieving Area Commander  
Whangārei

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