Key Council meeting outcomes

Full Council meeting of 25th September 2024:

Infrastructure procurement processes:

Councils are required by NZTA to have a Procurement Strategy which outlines the purchasing processes that they will adopt to ensure that Council's expenditure on activities supported by NZTA achieves best value for money and aligns with the requirements of NZTA's Procurement Manual.

NZTA now requires Council Procurement Strategy to be reviewed every three years, and such a review is due to be completed by 30th September 2024.

Council today endorsed this new strategy.

Footpath renewals funding:

An assumption was made for the LTP budgeting purposes that NZTA would provide subsidy on 80% of this amount, in line with the same assumptions made for other activities in KDC's submitted 2024-27 roading program. If this level of financial assistance was received it would amount to an NZTA contribution of approximately \$43,000 per year.

As such, there is a shortfall of \$84,000 per year for the funding of footpath works relative to what was indicated in the LTP.

It was recommended that Council approves an additional \$84,000 per year of local share funding required to enable the delivery of \$310,000 per year of footpath renewal and maintenance works as was proposed in the Council's 2024-27 Long Term Plan.

This was today approved by Council.

Treatment of Sponsorship signs under the Signs By-law:

At Council's meeting of 31st July 2024 there was discussion regarding how signs displayed by sponsors of clubs and societies at the sites where those clubs and societies conduct their activities should be managed under the Council's Signs Bylaw, which currently has a general prohibition of any 'off-site' signs.

At that meeting, Council resolved that staff should explore amendment to the bylaw in the form of the presented option D, which would give existing clubs and societies permission to retain sponsorship signs of the same total area as they had at a previous date and would permit any approved club or society to display sponsorship signs of up to a certain defined total area.

Today Council approved the suggested changes to the Council's Signs Bylaw 2023 with the revised bylaw to take immediate effect.

Drafting of the Reserve Management Plan for the Esplanade Reserve:

Today the Council endorsed the Draft Reserve Management Plan for the Esplanade Recreation Reserve to be advertised for public consultation and feedback from the public.

The consultation will open tomorrow, 26th of September and will run for two months ending 27th of November 2024.

Detailed Design and timing Approval for the Wakatu Quay Roading:

Council approved the completion of detailed design for the road network and parking surrounding Wakatu Quay.

A detailed media release outlining the design will be released to the public on Thursday 26th of September as well as in the Council news section of the KDC website.

Update to Kaikoura District Council Standing Orders:

Today Council adopted an update to Council standing orders to allow members joining meetings remotely to be counted as part of the quorum.