

KAIKŌURA DISTRICT COUNCIL WORKSHOP RECORD

Date:	Wednesday 5 th June 2024
Time:	10.00am – 10.30am
Location:	Totara, Council Chambers, Civic Building
Open or Closed:	Open Workshop Session
Apologies:	Councillor T Blunt and Councillor L Bond – for part of the meeting.

Subject:	Telecoms Servicing subdivisions
Presenters:	M Hoggard – Strategy Policy & District Plan Manager
Workshop Notes:	<p><u>Purpose of the workshop/short description:</u></p> <p>Recent subdivisions have seen requests from developers to avoid the costs and delays associated with the installation of fixed infrastructure. The workshop provides an overview of what other Councils within Canterbury are doing plus feedback from Main Power and Chorus and seeks feedback from Councillors.</p> <p><u>What was discussed:</u></p> <p>See slide show. Current planning provisions and how technology is changing, Starlink, and other wireless broadband. Costs of retrofitting infrastructure. Requirements of the RMA – principles of RMA conditions. Direction of service providers. Location of fibre within Kaikoura. Approach of other Councils.</p> <p>There was a general discussion around what the Council would like to achieve going forward. It is good planning practice to ensure infrastructure is implemented at the same time as subdivisions occur. It was agreed that power remains a necessity for the conditions, however there may be scope to look at other solutions in terms of telecommunications, particularly due to the cost associated to those outside of the fibre reach. Two recent resource consents have highlighted the issue and as a result, the consent conditions had to be changed.</p> <p><u>End Result / Direction from Council/ Actions:</u></p> <p>The Planning team will develop some high-level principles for Council to sign off as a guideline to future development and telecommunication provision.</p>