

Subject: Township Plans 2010 Update

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Report to ENVIRONMENT & POLICY Committee for noting

SUMMARY

Small rural communities have undergone a lot of change over the past 20 years with changes in the economic and social fabric of the region. The purpose of the Township Plans is to assist Council in planning for the future development and viability of specific rural townships in the Gisborne region. The Plans are an expression of the current issues and aspirations for the future of each community.

The purpose of this report is to update the Committee on progress in the preparation of the Township Plans in 2010 for Manutuke, Matawai/Motu, Rangitukia/Tikitiki, Te Puia Springs/Waipiro Bay.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee

- 1. receives the report**

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1. DISCUSSION

The project is tracking well to timeframes (see timeline below) and within budget.

	Jan/Feb 2010	Project planning
	Mar/Apr 2010	Public workshop on strategic visioning
	May 2010	Drafting and research
	Jun 2010	Public workshop on priorities
	Jul 2010	Preparing draft vision, goals and priority projects
	Aug/Sep 2010	Implementation planning
	Oct 2010	Written submission and community endorsement
	Nov 2010	Drafts with implementation plan for Council approval
	Dec 2010	Publication and integration into corporate planning
	Dec onwards	Implementation and inclusion in LTCCP

Officers have also made contact with other agencies about the potential to work together to deliver some of the priority projects and actions.

2. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The development of the Township Plans is not a statutory requirement so there is maximum flexibility in the engagement process and methods.

A range of cost-effective methods have been used to target a broad range of community interests, including:

- community strategic visioning workshops
- ideas boxes at popular locations in each town
- children's contribution through schools and/or art
- meetings with individuals and groups
- community prioritising workshops

Information has also been gathered through the Annual Plan consultation process to inform the development of the Plans.

Community members will get the opportunity in October to make written submissions on the Draft Plans (including implementation tables) and make final comments.

Iwi authorities were informed of the process at its inception. There has been good engagement with hapu and whanau groups and a good level of engagement from individual Maori residents.

3. APPENDICES

1. Manutuke Draft Vision Statements, Key Goals and Priority Projects
2. Matawai – Motu Draft Vision Statements, Key Goals and Priority Projects
3. Rangitukia – Tikitiki Draft Vision Statements, Key Goals and Priority Projects
4. Te Puia Springs – Waipiro Bay Draft Vision Statements, Key Goals and Priority Projects

Vision Statement

Water where we need it when we need it

Key Goals

- To have a reliable, affordable, safe drinking water supply for Manutuke residents
- To have an effective drainage system
- To protect the quality of natural waters in Te Arai

Priority Projects

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| ❖ Reticulated water supply to Manutuke residents | <i>GDC/
Community</i> |
| ❖ Drainage plan | <i>GDC</i> |
| ❖ Strategic water plan | <i>GDC</i> |
| ❖ Three waters review and consultation | <i>GDC</i> |

Vision Statement

Our rich heritage shared with the world

Key Goals

- To understand and celebrate the rich heritage of Manutuke
- To establish Manutuke as a world-renowned centre for authentic arts and culture

Priority Projects

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| ❖ Establishment of a cultural centre at marae | <i>Community</i> |
| ❖ Restoration of key historic landmarks and heritage signage | <i>GDC/
Community</i> |
| ❖ Regular street market | <i>Community</i> |

Vision Statement

A well-serviced community

Key Goal

- To retain a safe, friendly community environment we are all proud of

Priority Projects

❖ Review current Te Arai Reserve Management Plan (1983) including re-planting native tree species and reconsideration of play equipment and facilities	<i>GDC</i>
❖ Argentine Ant strategy and education campaign	<i>GDC/ Community</i>
❖ Retain existing services including fire, police, churches etc	<i>GDC/ Community</i>
❖ Review planning rules to allow development for families wanting to come home and for commercial ventures	<i>GDC</i>
❖ Establish a community committee to liaise with Council and other agencies on community priorities	<i>Community</i>

Vision Statement

Gateway to the Gisborne District

Key Goals

- To promote Matawai – Motu as a great place with lots to see and do
- To have infrastructure and amenities to support increased visitor numbers
- To ensure safe and vibrant main streets

Priority Projects

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| ❖ Develop a theme for the main streets of Matawai and Motu that creates interest, instils pride in locals and encourages visitors to stop and enjoy activities such as the reserves, cafes and proposed cycle trail | GDC/
Community |
| ❖ Improve visitor amenities including public toilets and rest areas and promote the wide range of visitor activities in Matawai – Motu through well-placed signage | GDC/
Community |
| ❖ Design entrances to town to encourage responsible driver behaviour, particularly at the eastern town entrance | GDC/
NZTA |
| ❖ Ensure existing infrastructure and services are operating effectively | GDC |

Vision Statement

A healthy river for all to share

Key Goals

- To work together to restore the health of the Motu River through good land use practices
- To minimise any costs to individual landowners of restoration works

Priority Projects

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| ❖ Research riparian management options for Motu River including external funding available | GDC/
Community |
| ❖ Establish Motu River Landowners group to oversee riparian transformation | Community |

Vision Statement

Tikitiki - capital of the world
Rangitukia - capital of the universe

Key Goals

- To protect and enhance the natural and cultural heritage of the Waiapu
- To ensure parks, roading and public spaces are safe, and are well maintained and designed to reflect the aspirations of the local communities
- To encourage development and economic growth that will provide employment opportunities for the Waiapu community
- To ensure Waiapu people are engaged in the affairs of the community and are politically aware

Priority Projects

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Review drainage and flood management of the Waiapu <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Extend Waiapu Flood Protection Scheme to northern Waiapu ➢ Develop drainage plan for the township 	<p><i>GDC</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ To register, maintain and enhance historical icons and connect them with a heritage walkway <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Install floodlights at St Mary’s Church ➢ Offer a marae experience to tourists ➢ Establish an Anglican Minister training centre in Rangitukia 	<p><i>Community/ Marae/ Anglican Church GDC/ NZ Historic Places Trust</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Partner with Council and agencies to enhance the appearance of and services to the townships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Maintenance of road quality ➢ Maintenance of marae frontages and urupa ➢ Change the hours for the Transfer station ➢ Install ‘Welcome’ signs that reflect character of the towns ➢ Install a public toilet at the Waiapu River Mouth ➢ Implement the proposed playground upgrade 	<p><i>Community/ GDC/ NZTA/ Marae/ Landowners</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Create employment opportunities in the Waiapu <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Offer a marae experience to tourists ➢ Establish kai growing 	<p><i>Marae/ Landowners</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Establish a community liaison group with reps from Tikitiki and Rangitukia as a means of engagement with the Tikitiki and Rangitukia communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Set up as a legal trust ➢ Including Te Riu o Waiapu (a Marae rep based trust) 	<p><i>Community/ Marae</i></p>

