



Date:	Monday, 30 April 2018
Time:	9.30am
Location:	Council Chamber 107 Heuheu Street Taupō

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

(Waste Management and Minimisation Plan deliberations)

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4.3 WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION PLAN 2018 DELIBERATIONS REPORT

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PURPOSE

To consider on submissions to the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018 (WMMP) and receive staff responses to those submissions.

DISCUSSION

Councils draft WMMP has a number of new initiatives which were consulted on.

Reducing the amount of Electronic Waste (computers and computer peripherals)

Responses received 15

Support 14

Oppose 1

One submitter suggested the price of diversion was too high and another submitter suggested that all electronic goods should be included in the program.

Staff response

Computers and computer peripherals are currently the only electronic waste that is sustainably divertible at this time as other E-waste products require significantly more funding.

Recommended that this action is included with no change.

Marae and Iwi cooperation

Responses received 13

Support 12

Oppose 1

One submitter suggested that services should not be based on ethnicity.

Staff response

This service provision is based on the need to support and build relationships with district Marae as they are places where large numbers of the community gather and create a number of different waste streams. Council can play an important role in enabling district Marae to increase waste diversion and recycling of these waste streams.

Recommended that this action is included with no change.

Community Waste Minimisation Grants

Responses received 14

Support 13

Oppose 1

One submitter suggested that initiatives could be achieved through an education program.

Staff response

The community grants program is being established to get more people actively involved in waste minimisation in the district, and will go beyond what an education campaign can achieve in respect to building community relationships around waste issues.

Recommended that this action is included with no change.

More Litter enforcement

Responses received 14

Support 13

Oppose 1

Staff response

This action will enable more existing Council staff to have the litter discussion with the community. By having more warranted litter officers we can help remind people about how important it is that litter ends up in the bins and not on our streets or public spaces and ultimately our lake.

Recommended that this action is included with no change.

Facilitating the reduction of Construction & Demolition waste

Responses received 14

Support 13

Oppose 1

Staff response

Council needs to be able to understand the barriers to the diversion of construction waste, and where possible facilitate diversion.

Recommended that this action is included with no change.

School Organic's Program

Responses received 15

Support 15

Oppose 0

Staff response

This action has received wide support from submitters

The program will look to work with the bigger schools in the district first, such as the high schools, and then progressively work through the other schools in the district.

Recommended that this action is included with no change

Facilitating the reduction of Farm wastes

Responses received 11

Support 11

Oppose 0

Staff response

Council needs to build relationships with the farming sector and facilitate farm waste reduction where possible. By better understanding the waste diversion barriers the farming sector are faced with, Council will be better placed to facilitate the required change.

Recommended that this action is included with no change

Supporting Event organisers in reducing waste

Responses received 15

Support 13

Oppose 2

One submitter identified the events are predominantly a commercial activity and so should not be subsidised by the rate payers

Staff response

This action is focused on educating event organisers on the best way for events to reduce their waste footprint and is not related to subsidising events themselves.

Recommended that this action is included with no change

Targeted Litter prevention program

Responses received 14

Support 12

Oppose 2

One submitter suggested that an education program would be ineffective as the people who litter were passing through and not ratepayers. It was also suggested that landfill fees should reduce.

Staff response

Nationally litter is currently very topical, and this program will dovetail into the national litter education programs and also provide a Taupō district focus. If we are to achieve the cleanest district in New Zealand then it is imperative that we communicate effectively with the community regarding litter.

Recommended that this action is included with no change

Reduce the use of Single Use Plastic Bags

Responses received 15

Support 14

Oppose 1

One submitter identified that business and central government are already providing the solution so there is no need for Council to be involved.

Staff response

Our community needs leadership and support to change behaviour on plastic bags and other plastic waste. This action will enable Council and Council staff to achieve behaviour change when it comes to this waste stream.

Recommended that this action is included with no change

Other general submitter comments

Three submitters wanted to see wheelie bins as an option for kerbside service delivery.

Staff response

As Council is half way through the Kerbside collection contract period it would be very costly to make changes to this contract to implement wheelie bins into the service.

Currently the community does already have the choice to use a wheelie bin for refuse collection by going to the market.

Options for future kerbside refuse and recycling collection service delivery will be brought to Council closer to the expiry date of the current contract. The current contract expiry is in six years if planned rollovers were granted by Council.

One submitter wanted rural kerbside waste collection

Staff response

Council has provided Refuse Transfer Stations located throughout the district to provide rural waste and waste diversion options, as the cost of rural Kerbside collection in the district would be prohibitive.

One submitter wanted to change the hour of operation of the Kinloch transfer station.

Council staff are happy to liaise with the submitter to determine suitable operating hours for the site.

CONCLUSION

Council needs to consider submissions to the draft WMMP and decide whether or not to make any amendments.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That Council considers submissions to the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018 and ***either*** makes amendments to the Plan as follows:

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Or makes no amendments to the Plan and instructs staff to bring the final document back for adoption alongside the Long-term Plan 2018-28.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil