



PUKEHINA BEACH
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community.
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**Submissions to the
Western Bay of Plenty District Council Draft Annual Plan 2014-15**

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The following submissions are being made on behalf of all of the ratepayers of the Pukehina Beach area and we see each subject as requiring serious consideration.

Please note **we do wish** to speck on all items in this summation at the Council Hearing. Our preferred date for specking to our submissions is 12th May.

The Key Issues for our Community are as follows;

Pg 9,10 Wastewater and water Uniform Annual Charge amalgamations

We Supports Option Two - one scheme amalgamated over two years

Pg 10 & 105 Transfer of Powers – Kaituna River

Support / Oppose transfer powers, functions and responsibilities to BOP Regional Council

Pg 34 & 104 Discretionary Community Grants

We Support the funding of \$14,386 Community Grants for those communities who do not have community Boards and would like to see that amount available on an annual basis rather than every two years

Pg 36 Crime prevention 299901

We Support reduction in funding from \$15302 to \$10,000 due to loss of external funding

Pg 36 Reconfigure public reception at WBOPDC Barks corner 318401

We oppose spending \$31,953

Pg 38 Levels of Service – Provide a basic range of public facilities across the District - Council will provide sub-regional parks per the joint venturing with Tauranga City Council

We support Investigating the appropriateness of adding the Land owned and developed by Branns into a rural park with Redwoods and native trees and a stream – walkways as the next Regional Park as the Tauranga Eastern Link will bring this within close proximity to the rest of the district.

Pg 40 TECT All Terrain Park Road sealing 28943

We Support deferral of works until 2016

Pg 47 Rural community roading - 383202

We Oppose deferred 50% of project expenditure to 2016 from \$320,240 to \$160,120 – Roads in and around our rural communities need to be a good standard – we need the upgrade for road into and in Pukehina Beach area.

Pg 47 Seal Extension 283408 - in projects list = 283411 \$800601-

We Oppose deferred 50% of project expenditure to 2016 from \$800,601 to \$595,839 Roads around our rural community need sealing – we have particular interest in the upgrading of the roads in and around Pukehina Beach to encourage walking and biking activity relating to our proposed walkway which we have gained consent for.

Pg 47 Pavement Seal Widening 283417

We oppose deferred 50% of project expenditure to 2016 from \$800,601 to \$400,300 – The road off the main road is narrow and if other maintenance is deferred it puts back any projects that our community may identify as needed in the future.

Pg 47 TEL 309101

We oppose that SH 2 will be reinvested back to WBOP District Council and it needs to be of a high standard as the rate payers will meet the ongoing maintenance of the road.

Pg 54 Eastern Water Supply zone – reticulation Improvements

We Support increasing spend from \$983,496 to \$1,054,626

Pg 75 Economic

Support the same level of funding for external organisations tasked with developing economic activity in our District, support and promote town centres, plan for sustainable economic growth in our district – with the economic improvement our Eastern end of the district needs to be promoted with careful management around the Eastern end of the TEL, - Pukehina wants more permanent residents and this is one way to ensure that this happens and it is crucial that the Te Puke EDG is funded to the same level to reflect this and to enable the same level of commitment to our communities

Pg 87 Storm water network

We Support the improvement of storm water management at Pukehina Beach and we strongly recommend that seaward side curbing and channelling is put back into the annual plan and long-term planning documents.

Pg 88 Coastcare Pukehina Beach

We Support the Coastal \$46.00 Inland \$8.30 and point out the Ratepayers have given mandate to continue the collection of this rate.

Projects 321101 Coastal Marine Structures

We Support the budgeting \$208,355 and realise it is not identified for Pukehina but it may be necessary to review the structures on the Little Waihi Beach Estuary in the future

Project Pukehina Community Centre Hall

We Support the budget of \$11290 to support hall maintenance and improvements. Hall use has improved with weekly bowls and more weddings

Pg 103 Pukehina Development

We Support to continue to collect \$20.00 per rate payer as a contribution towards future infrastructure scheme for the area and point out the Ratepayers have given mandate to continue the collection of this rate

Pg 103 Environmental Protection rate Pukehina Development

We Support to continue rating at this level see comments above reference page 88.

Pg 103 Disaster Contingency

We Support to continue special reserves fund

Pg 103 Civil Defence Contingency

Projects 316401 BOP Regional Council Emergency Management
We Support 2014 \$62032, 2015 64,176 Pukehina beach Ratepayers implores Western BOP DC to work with Tauranga City and Regional Council to develop an integrated coastal emergency alarm system

Projects 229109 Tsunami System Education 279311

We support budgeting \$2663 and offer our organisations assistance in education program

Projects 229109 Tsunami Warning System 323101

We strongly oppose the lack of budgeting for the progress of this system

Projects 229109 Crime Prevention Projects

We Support budgeting \$15302

Pg 126 Revenue and Financing Policy

We Support prudent fiscal management to ensure that rates do not increase.
We support water metering.

PROJECTS – not mentioned above

149102 – Sports Bay of Plenty

We Support budget **of \$74450 for** paying for the two paid life guards at Pukehina Beach – support extending the time that guards are available until Auckland anniversary weekend and the erection of signs outlining hazards to swimmers and safe swimming areas.

299001 Priority One

We Support the Budget of \$165,090. Western BOP gets benefit in many of the Priority One projects, however there needs to be better strategic alliance with Te Puke EDG

268706 Motunau

We Support the Budget for \$1950 Picnic table, Bench seats and a BBQ

322801 Pukehina Beach Seabreeze Park

Question: 2014 20,580 – has this been spent??

Surf Rescue Facilities

Concerns raised at 2014 PBRA AGM over the state of the Surf life saving building and most importantly the state of the public toilets and septic tanks included in the building – We question the budgeting of the council related expenses for this project and any support for the enlarging of the facilities for the Surf Rescue organisation to reflect the increased use of building and increased numbers of volunteers saving lives – 9 rescues recorded over summer period for 2014.