

Central Hawke's Bay District Council – Report

TO: Council

FROM: Corporate Services Manager

DATE: 1 April 2010

FILE REF: ANN1-200

SUBJECT: **ADOPTION OF DRAFT 2010/2011 STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL**

1.0 SUMMARY

This report presents the first draft Statement of Proposal (Annual Plan) for adoption since our Long-Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP) 2009/2019

In the era of the LTCCP, the Annual Plan has been relegated to being mainly a financial document, containing the annual budget, funding impact statement and details of variances from the LTCCP.

The draft Annual Plan is the *Statement of Proposal* in terms of the requirements of the special consultative procedure under the Local Government Act 2002.

There are no Special Consultative items included in the draft Statement of Proposal.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

THAT

Council adopt the draft Statement of Proposal 2010/2011 (as amended) for public consultation.

REASON

Council is required to consult on the Annual Plan pursuant to section 95(2) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3.0 BACKGROUND

Under the Local Government Act 2002, the Annual Plan is now considered a part of the Long-Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP). It must contain the proposed annual budget and funding impact statement for the year and identify any variation from the financial statements and funding impact statement included in the LTCCP.

Any significant departure or change to any of the key policies in the LTCCP is considered as an amendment to the LTCCP and may only be made using the special consultative procedure. We do not believe this to be the case in this instance.

4.0 OPTIONS

Option 1

Adopt the draft Statement of Proposal

Option 2

Do not adopt the draft Statement of Proposal

(If the draft Statement of Proposal is not adopted it will put us behind schedule for public consultation which must be no less than one month. This option is not recommended).

5.0 STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

The production of an Annual Plan is a requirement of the Local Government Act 2002. Section 95 of the Act specifies when and how the Plan must be produced and Part 2 Schedule 10 of the Act specifies the content of the Annual Plan.

6.0 CONSULTATION

In accordance with section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council will prepare and adopt the draft Annual Plan and advertise this for consultation as the statement of proposal. A summary of the information contained in the Statement of Proposal (which must comply with section 89) will also be prepared.

The draft Statement of Proposal will be made available for public inspection at Council offices, libraries and on the Council website in order to provide all ratepayers and residents of the district with reasonable access.

Background information on the proposed draft will also be distributed to all ratepayers with a dummy invoice for the 2010/2011 rates (based on the revaluation of properties in the District and the rate factors in the draft Plan.) This will be distributed with the April quarterly rates invoices – to allow ratepayers to provide feedback to Council during the consultation period.

Two mini expo's will be held, the first at the Waipukurau Library and Service Centre on 14 April and the second in the Council Chamber at the Waipawa Office on 15 April, 4.30pm to 6.00pm.

Public notice will be given which will include a statement about how persons interested in the proposal may obtain or view copies of this draft, and how they may make a submission.

All submissions received will be treated according to the process laid down in the special consultative procedure.

7.0 STRATEGIC LINKS

The 2010/2011 Annual Plan must be considered together with the 2009/2019 Central Hawke's Bay Community Plan (LTCCP).

8.0 POLICY/DELEGATION REFERENCE

There is no requirement to delegate the adoption of the draft Annual Plan.

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