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Coastal-Burwood Community Board
MINUTES ATTACHMENTS

Date: Monday 15 June 2020
Time: 4.30pm
Venue: Boardroom, Corner Beresford and Union Streets,
New Brighton

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Cluster Muck Up On Earlham Street

Thank you all for this opportunity
to make this presentation.

It is sad to say that in Earlham Street,
the residents are not safe, well-served,
cared about, or protected, because of the
shocking condition of Earlham Street.

But I want you to be safe, well-served,
cared about and protected.

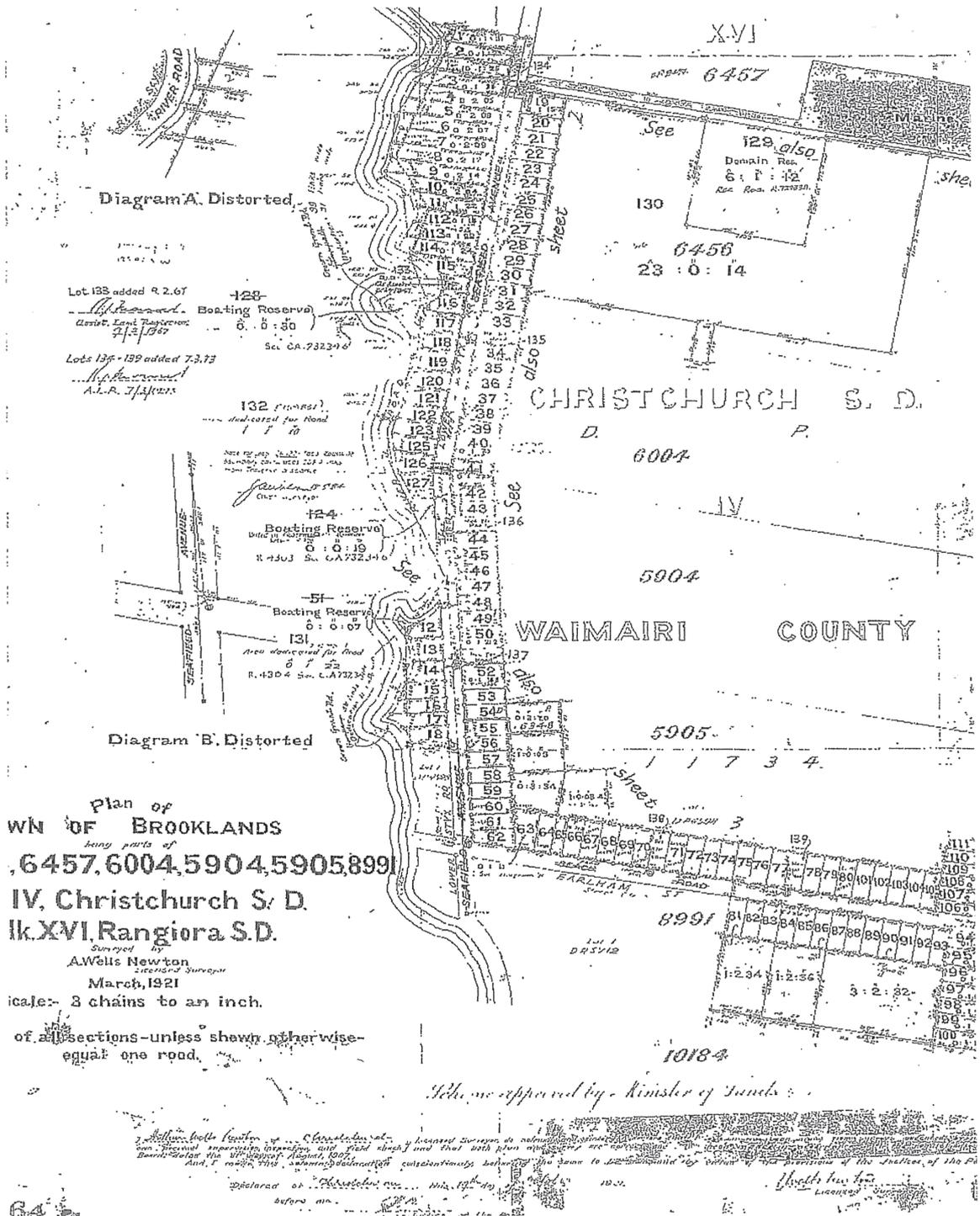
So all you need for this presentation
is tabled here, now.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Mandy Neil

Monday 15th, June, 2020.

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Item 4.1
Attachment A

From 2012, CERA brought in soil, laid grass seed, and fenced off the entire Brooklands red zone. Meanwhile CCC turned a blind eye to some Brooklands residents bringing in soil, to try and keep abreast of the CERA fill, going on around their properties.

These actions left Earlam Street – the only green-zoned street in Brooklands - on the lowest ground. CERA and CCC started saying that Earlam Street is a ‘ponding’ and ‘hazard’ area.

CERA and CCC created the ‘ponding’ and the ‘hazard’.
It is now up to them to fix the ‘ponding’ and the ‘hazard’!

Presentation to the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board. Monday 15th June, 2020.

Subject: Cluster Muck Up On Earlham Street Can you fix it? Yes, you can!

If drainage ditches paid for by residents can have new tarsealing, so can all of Earlham St.

If red-zoned Brooklands roads and footpaths can have new tarsealing, so can Earlham St.

If a fully functional storm water drainage system already exists at the Earlham St. corner – with hardly any houses on the Lower Styx Road to provide drainage for now, Earlham St. can be connected to this system as well.

If Brooklands residents can spend their own money and energy regenerating their land, Earlham St. can also be regenerated.

If raising the well levels in Brooklands can be done at great cost, Earlham St. can have money spent on it after 100 years of costing nothing.

If a beautiful Brooklands stopbank complete with a track along its crest can be constructed to keep the Waimakariri and Styx Rivers at bay, an equally beautiful stopbank can be constructed to keep the Brooklands Lagoon at bay.

If there are beautiful streetlights on Brooklands' streets where there are no residential houses, some of the lights can be dug up and placed along Earlham St, for the seven homes that have only two street lights there.

If there are street lights and tarsealing being repaired on streets and footpaths all over Brooklands red zone, Earlham Street can be repaired too.

If large areas of the red zone with no homes on sites, have been built up so much higher than Earlham St, then Earlham St - with ratepayers in residence - should never be designated a 'ponding' or 'hazard' area.

If one driveway in Earlham St. can be transformed without changing the ground levels in one day, the whole of Earlham St. can be transformed in a week.

If Earlham St. can be cared for properly so that property values are restored with all earthquake damage adequately mitigated – as is required for all legal, green-zoned residential city streets – justice and harmony with the land will be adequately restored, and all Earlham St. residents shall dance with joy.

Mahia te tika ahakoa taka mai nga rangi.
Let justice be done, though the heavens may fall.

Please do not say “there’s no money in the pot” or “you knew what you were getting.” The whole city of Christchurch was built on a swamp and Waimakariri flood plain. The city has grown and enjoyed effective improvement and development on every street except Earlham St, since the first settlers arrived in 1850. Imagine if those settlers had been told to expect no improvement or development because they ‘knew what they were getting.’ Just look at all those lovely brand new yellow lines painted on drained, sealed and lit Perth St, where my sister lives. Her tiny street has had heaps of improvements over the years.

Earlham St. is a green-zoned city street - home to a growing number of residential ratepayers – the only green-zoned street left in Brooklands, and the only green-zoned street in Christchurch with no improvements. Earlham St. doesn’t even get the attention to improvements and developments that red-zoned Brookland streets and footpaths and the lagoon tracks get! Just 2 weeks ago, Council workers were lawnmowing and providing new timber seats all along the Lagoon tracks! Earlham St. provides public access to this!

Earlham St. first features on Brooklands maps in 1921. Based on the current rates for an empty section on Earlham St. of \$130 per quarter, the Waimairi County Council and Christchurch City Council have received from ratepayers, the spending power in today’s currency of \$516,000! Anybody can see that Earlham St. hasn’t received a penny of that value spent on it, to date! So, where has a century of Earlham St. rates money gone?

Earlham St. is ‘shovel ready’ - and has been, for a hundred years.

It is our turn for drainage, sealing and lighting. We urgently need **4 things, please:**

- **Street-lighting** - of equal quality with every legal green-zoned residential city street.
- **A hard-chip sealed or tar-sealed surface** - so we and other motorists can at least negotiate our accessways in times of flooding without having to be towed out – as happened for 17 months after the 2017 floods. It is crucial that the present level of Earlham St. is not raised or lowered, as this would only cause more floodwater from the street to gather on resident’s private properties.
- **A simple drainage system** - to cope with the run-off from 300 metres of hard-top sealing, so that no private residential property in Earlham St. is left drowning in floodwater that runs off the City Council street land - as it presently does.
- **A CCC commitment** - in the event of any future floods, like those of July 2017, that they will never abandon Earlham Street residents in smelly, stagnant, mosquito-infested water on CCC land, for 17 months, or any months, ever again!

Thank you for our new ‘Welcome to Brooklands’ signposts, and thank you for listening.

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Earlham Street has long been designated a legal residential city street. Its ratepayers pay residential rates, and receive full residential mail delivery. It is not a rural road - as some CCC people have incorrectly tried to claim, including the secretary to the CCC CEO! Such misinformation is hindering help.

To understand in today's terms, just how much spending power the CCC and Waimari County Council have had at their disposal from Earlham Street properties since 1921, I have simply multiplied out the current rates of \$130.00 per quarter for one empty section on Earlham Street. There are 9 residential sections that remain on Earlham Street today. In 1921, Earlham Street had 51 residential sections, but I have not included all those. The total for just 9 residential sections amounts to \$516,000. That sort of spending power, since the rates' first inception in 1921, would be a fair equivalent today.

Over half a million dollars of spending power – and Earlham Street remains in an abysmal condition. It looks like a sad, old, ill-maintained farm track! A day's hire of a grader and a few truckloads of shingle every ten years or so, do not add up to half a million dollars of spending power, and neither do they add up to an acceptable standard for any city street.

One official at the Council offices told me in 2017 - while I had no access to my home, no power because my boundary power box had exploded, and no respite from the stagnant smelly mosquito-infested floodwaters - that I should be thankful my rates were providing drainage and sealing and lighting for the rest of the city - so that whenever I go out, I would benefit from all that!

Earlham St. residents are obviously paying rates that are being spent on everyone else's drainage, street management, lighting and so forth. Due diligence for Earlham Street is long overdue.

I did have to go and stay with city friends for a month, in their city street home with proper facilities, while I waited for enough subsidence of the flood waters for power and access into my driveway to be restored. But what a ridiculous excuse for doing nothing for Earlham St! I have heard far too many weak excuses – and no good enough reasons - for the lack of fair play, the lack of action, and the lack of equal treatment for Earlham St.

These lacks of Council responsibility have created health and safety issues, security issues, civil rights issues, and justice issues in varying serious degrees for all Earlham St. residents.

It is wrong to continue spending public money on red-zoned streets where nobody lives, while a green-zoned street with ratepaying residents remains completely neglected, with none of its basic rights met for improvement and development.

I have had to be rescued twice, in the past three years, by the emergency services due to dangerous conditions on Earlham St. This has been a waste of the emergency services time and resources, yet there is still no mitigation for any of the dangerous conditions on Earlham St: criminal activity, rats, potholes, stagnant pools of water, blackout, etc.

The CCC is failing in its moral, ethical, and civic duties to Earlham Street residents. It has even been claimed by CCC officials that the City Council is not legally responsible for Earlham Street's plight. If legal proceedings were lodged against CCC, they wouldn't have a legal leg to stand on such false claims.

There is no suggestion that Brooklands red-zoned residents should not receive help – as they are. It is merely that Brooklands green-zoned residents ought also to be receiving help - which they are not! Not one of our City Councillors would put up with such appalling conditions at their homes, on their own green-zoned city streets. No other city residents live on a worn-out farm track, with a half kilometre weekly walk to put their bins out!

I have been asking for four years now, to get the obvious needs for expenditure on Earlham St. into the three-yearly budget plan - to no avail. It seems that CCC are bound by some very bad rules and regulations which disempower council workers, and cripple residents. If rules and regulations do not serve and protect people, then they are bad rules and regulations. Good rules and regulations serve and protect people well. People are not meant to be serving and protecting rules and regulations. That is entirely the wrong way around. Earlham Street residents receive no services or protection. My neighbours at 5 Earlham St. have been left in the most dire situation of all.

Wrongdoing prospers when the good do nothing. Do the right thing, now, please.

We need more people to 'mauger' in positive action. We need more 'daniels' in the lions dens overcoming the brutal forces of negative action. Thank you to James and Phil for bothering to leave your ivory towers to contact us, visit us, and see our plight, up front.

Who will sensibly move the motion to urgently include Earlham Street in the current budget, so it can receive reasonable and long overdue improvements?

Mandy Neil. June 15th, 2020. myschoolhousenz@gmail.com

Southshore Residents Association

Annual Plan: Southshore Estuary-Edge



Coastal Burwood Community Board

Thank you for allowing me to address you
Apologies that this briefing is necessary
Summary, Take-homes and Invitation

Simon Watts
Southshore Residents Association

15 June 2020 Briefing for Coastal Burwood Community Board

Southshore Residents Association

“How is this possible?”¹



9 years ago, our city was shaken. In most places these impacts are now invisible, in some this is not the case.....
(1) Councillor Swiggs faced with the evidence of lack of earthquake repairs in Southshore and South New Brighton

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Southshore Residents Association

The Council Resolution



Southshore South New Brighton Earthquake Legacy Project

Council Resolved CNCL/2019/00196

That the Council:

Area wide

1. Requests staff to develop a continuous walkway/cycleway adjacent to the estuary edge, including renewal of the existing Estuary Walkway from Evans Ave to Ebbtide Street in South New Brighton and from Ebbtide Street through the red zone to the south end of Southshore. The track improvement component of the work will be funded by \$150,000 of the regeneration initiatives capital funding in 2019/20.
 - a. Notes that funding for any proposed bund track for Southshore will be sought as part of the 2020/21 Annual Plan Process.

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Southshore Residents Association

The Council Resolution



Southshore

6. Requests staff to investigate immediate and longer-term erosion options in Southshore (including options for the privately owned edge structures).
 - c. Recommend that funding be made available for implementation of the estuary edge earthquake legacy repair in 2020 and urgently prioritised.
8. Notes that the implementation of some of these actions is subject to obtaining necessary resource consents from Environment Canterbury and/or the Christchurch City Council and request staff to ensure that options under the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Act are considered to expedite processes.

If this matter is not supported by yourselves, it seems unlikely it will appear in the Annual Plan

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Southshore Residents Association

Southshore Estuary-Edge



The questions our community is asking

- Why has no budget been identified for this project (engineers think about \$10M)
- Why is this not in the Revised Annual Plan?
- This project was not included in the \$1B bid to central government for 'shovel-ready' projects despite it being more advanced than some others that were
- The use of the Greater Christchurch Regenerate Act is likely to be necessary to avert potential Ecan resource consent delays...there seems no discussion of this despite the resolution

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Southshore Residents Association

Southshore Estuary-Edge



What we are asking you to do

- Recommend that the estuary repairs (South New Brighton and Southshore) are put into the Annual Plan
- Take an even more active interest in the process
- Please come to the SSRA AGM
- Remember the words of our senior GP about the impact of the earthquakes on our communities:

"...The earthquake ruptured our village, your [the Council's] decision corrodes our souls. Our ground continues to shake as we and our families grow old. I want you to bring humanity to the estuary edge we live by..." [our clarification]

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Southshore Residents Association

Southshore Estuary-Edge



Find out more

A detailed holistic study of the damage to the estuary-edge caused by the earthquakes and impacts of this and subsequent events on the local communities

www.boee.nz

Southshore & SNB estuary edge v2.8.21
ref 201905#001

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Repair of the Estuary Edge of Southshore and South New Brighton



Intertidal sculpture by Anthony Gormley, Crosby

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Southshore Estuary-Edge



“...Judge a person not by their questions, not
their answers...” (Pascal)

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Southshore Residents Association Submission regarding Draft Annual Plan 2020/21

Southshore Residents Association represent 480 households.

In 2019 Council Resolved under resolution CNCL/2019/00196 that funding be made available for the implementation of the estuary edge earthquake legacy repair in 2020 and urgently prioritised. It further resolved that staff ensure options under the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Act are considered to expedite processes.

Given this, it is of great concern to the Southshore Residents Association that the new Council has not identified or allocated any funding for the estuary-edge repair at Southshore.

Southshore Residents Association is concerned that new Council has chosen not to include the estuary-edge repair in the ~\$1B bid to central government, despite being 'shovel-ready' in the judgement of the engineers and ahead of some other projects that were submitted

The Southshore Residents Association is further alarmed that the estuary-edge repair at Southshore has not been included in the revised Annual Plan.

After the last Council resolved to do this work on the basis of social justice and equity, The Southshore Residents Association is disappointed (again) with the concentration of funding of the

This is NOT a matter that other places are more at risk of flooding, this is a social justice issue...our earthquake damage needs to be repaired, as it has been elsewhere. This is NOT a flooding or adaptation or climate change issue. It is about earthquake repair. It is a matter of Council honouring its publicly given word to us. Funding the Southshore estuary edge repair must be made available in this Annual Plan.

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 - a. Notes that funding for any proposed bund track for Southshore will be sought as part of the 2020/21 Annual Plan Process.

South New Brighton – north of Bridge Street

2. Requests staff to undertake a stopbank condition assessment and an update of previous investigations into the life-safety risk of flooding from a breach or overtopping of the stopbanks between Pages Road and Bridge Street to account for the updated 2018 high tide statistics and to report the result of that investigation to the Council and the community.
 - a. Note that the process for accessing risk will be undertaken in accordance with ISO31000 (2018).

South New Brighton – south of Bridge Street

3. Request staff to proceed with the following:
 - a. For the Estuary Edge, Bridge Street to Jetty area, acknowledge the current salt marsh and implement engineered set back bunds giving protection to the South New Brighton School and Seafield Place.
 - b. For the Estuary Edge, Yacht Club to the boardwalk, implement a restoration of the edge as per earthquake legacy edge repairs using reno mattresses and gabion baskets as previously existed pre earthquake.
4. Requests staff to report separately on any flood protection measures that may be required for the area, in the context of this report.
5. Resolve works will be funded by \$750,000 of the regeneration initiatives capital funding in 2019/20, with any short fall to be reported back to Council as a matter of urgency.

Southshore

6. Requests staff to investigate immediate and longer-term erosion options in Southshore (including options for the privately owned edge structures).
 - a. Requests that a collaborative group be established which includes a technical expert nominated by the Southshore community, to investigate the immediate Earthquake Legacy edge issues for the Estuary Edge repair and protection including the development of a suitable erosion mitigation plan with costings (including options

for the formerly, privately-owned edge structures, and the position of the 11.4 m bund).

- b. Notes the above Southshore Erosion Mitigation Plan will be presented in the first instance to the Southshore Residents Association and the Coastal-Burwood Community Board for comment before presentation to Council in early 2020.
- c. Recommend that funding be made available for implementation of the estuary edge earthquake legacy repair in 2020 and urgently prioritised.

Other recommendations

- 7. Resolves that the investigations referred to in resolutions 2 and 4 above for north of Bridge Street and for resolution 6 for Southshore estimated at \$400,000 will be funded from the \$1.3 million regeneration funding available for these areas.
- 8. Notes that the implementation of some of these actions is subject to obtaining necessary resource consents from Environment Canterbury and/or the Christchurch City Council and request staff to ensure that options under the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Act are considered to expedite processes.

Mayor/Councillor East

Carried

Councillor Clearwater requested his vote against resolution 3b be recorded.