

**REPORT OF THE ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
REGULATORY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 29 CIVIC AVENUE, GORE ON TUESDAY 11
MARCH 2008, AT 4:25 pm.**

PRESENT His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks JP), Cr Bolger (Chairperson), Crs Davis, Dixey, Dixon, Gardyne, Grant, Heller, Highsted, McLennan and Sharp.

IN ATTENDANCE The Chief Executive (Mr Steve Parry), General Manager, District Assets (Mr Neil Jorgensen), General Manager, Corporate Services (Mr Russell Duthie), Parks and Recreation Manager (Mr Ian Soper), Roading Manager (Mr Murray Hasler), Arts and Heritage Curator (Mr Jim Geddes), Library Manager (Mrs Jane Robinson), Corporate Support Officer (Mrs Jo Waddell) and nine members of the public in the Gallery.

APOLOGY Cr Harvey apologised for absence.

1. REVIEW OF COUNCIL BYLAWS (22.17)

A memo had been received from the Chief Executive together with copies of the revised bylaws the Council had agreed to retain at its February meeting.

Dog Control Bylaw

Cr Grant felt a working dog should be kept on a leash if it is not working at the time.

The Chief Executive advised it was a valid point. A working dog rarely caused a problem as it was usually under control at all times however the bylaw could be amended.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Grant, seconded by Cr Gardyne, THAT provision for a working dog that was not working being kept on a leash, be included under Section 5(a) of the draft Dog Control Bylaw 2008.

Skateboard Bylaw

Cr Dixey asked for clarification about the boundaries of the skateboard ban area.

The Chief Executive advised that the map would be provided in colour for the final draft to the Council. The area included Main, Medway and Fairfield Streets.

Roading

The Roothing Manager advised he had an updated graph for Stock Crossings detailed in Schedule 15, Appendix B if Councillors wished to peruse it.

Cr Gardyne asked if the rural section at the end of the Roothing Bylaw was to be consulted on as it had a few areas which needed modifying.

The Chief Executive advised that all of the bylaws were in draft form. The Council would be invited to sign a Statement of Proposal at its March meeting and the bylaws would then be available for public consultation. A hearing would be held on any submissions received and any amendments would be ratified by the Council before the end of June 2008.

Cr Gardyne stated that Section 4.2.1 Control of Livestock Movements did not identify what type of livestock could be moved. He wondered whether the rural section of the Bylaw should be considered separately.

The Roothing Manager explained the livestock movements area in the Bylaw had been generated by a Working Party of the Roothing Control Authorities forum which had consulted extensively with the Federated Farmers at a national level.

Cr Dixon asked who enforced the traffic prohibitions as stated in Schedule 13.

The Roothing Manager replied until recently, the Police had enforced it. The Police had found the Bylaw to be lacking as it referred to the Gore Borough which was obsolete. With the updated Bylaw in place, he expected it would continue to enforce them.

In response to His Worship, the Roothing Manager advised there was an exemption for legitimate deliveries to businesses in the central business district. However, very few of those were located in the Main Street.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Dixon, seconded by Cr Bolger, THAT the draft bylaws be approved for incorporation in a Statement of Proposal to be released to the public for comment as part of a special consultative procedure to be undertaken in accordance with Section 156 of the Local Government Act 2002.

2. REGULATORY BULLETIN (2.14.2)

The Committee perused a summary of building consents issued for January and February 2008 together with comparisons for the previous two years.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Cr Davis, seconded by Cr Dixey, THAT the information be received.

The meeting concluded at 4:41 pm