

**Date:** Monday 4 November 2024  
**Time:** 1.00pm  
**Meeting Room:** Collingwood Fire Station,  
**Venue:** Elizabeth Street, Collingwood

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## Golden Bay Community Board

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**OWNER SURRENDER FORM**

ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY

<b>DATE:</b>	
<b>OWNERS NAME:</b>	<b>PHONE:</b>
ADDRESS:	
Name of person acting on behalf of owner:	
Phone:	
Address:	
<p>I hereby confirm that I am the owner or I am acting on behalf of the owner of the animals/s described below and hereby confirm that I have legal authority to enter into this agreement and should my authority be subsequently questioned by the GB Animal Welfare Society or any third party, I agree to take full responsibility and, if necessary compensate any wronged party.</p> <p>I also agree on signing this agreement that ownership and all rights of the animal/s described below are passed to the GB Animal Welfare Society.</p> <p>I understand that, if this animal is surrendered as a result of an animal welfare investigation, this will not necessarily preclude me from prosecution.</p> <p>Signature _____</p> <p>Any donation will be greatly appreciated and will go towards the cost of feeding and caring for this and the other animals at this animal centre.</p> <p>Any donation will be greatly appreciated and will go towards the cost of caring for this and the other animals at this animal centre.</p> <p>Surrender Fee/Donation \$10 / \$20 / \$50 / \$100 / Other \$ _____</p>	
<b>ANIMAL DESCRIPTION (owner to complete)</b>	
Species:	Breed:
Colour/markings:	Sex:
Age/D.O.B.	Number surrendered:
Is animal de-sexed?	Microchip #
How long have you owned?	Where did you acquire the animal/s?
Does animal have a current vaccination record? If yes, please name veterinary clinic where animal received treatment:	
What is animals' behaviour around children and other animals?	
Reason for surrendering animal/s:	
Outcome:	
<b>Outcome Date:</b>	



# ADOPTION APPLICATION FORM

## Golden Bay Animal Welfare Society

This form is used to assess your eligibility for adopting a pet and to place you on waitlist for the best match

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Are you a NZ citizen or resident?

### HOUSING

Type of housing:

Do you rent or own?

If renting, do you have permission from your landlord to have pets?

### HOME ENVIROMENT

How many live in your household?

If children , what ages are the children?

How often is there someone home?

What other pets do you have?

### ANIMAL PRERERENCES

What type of pet are you looking for? Please explain

### ADOPTION EXPECTATIONS

If the cat is not yet desexed we require this be done before the cat is 5 months old.

GBAW will cover 50% of the cost including microchipping.

The cat needs to have a human address and you need to be able to afford to care for the cat's physical needs, including vet bills.

NAME:

DATE:

SIGNATURE :



# GOLDEN BAY ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY

## ADOPTION FORM

### ANIMAL DETAILS

Animal:

Sex:

Age:

Name:

Date in:

Date out:

### ADOPTER DETAILS ADOPTION EXPECTATIONS

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Signature:

Date:

### ADOPTION EXPECTATIONS

If the cat is not yet desexed we require this be done before the cat is 5 months old. GBAW will cover 50% of the desexing cost including microchipping. We require all animals to get microchipped, and expect the owner to register them on the national database, this can be done thru the vet clinic or online.

### ADOPTION FEE

Our recommended adoption donation fee is \$50

Bank account: 02-0764-0032539-00

Amount paid:

### GBAW SIGN OFF

Name:

Signature:

Date:

Kia ora koutou,

I'm here representing the Dog Owners of Golden Bay. We've been gathering feedback from our members over the past few months, Gay has already done a great job of setting the scene as to why we have formed. I would like to use my time to dig a little deeper into a couple of issues that are a big problem for our members, and myself personally as a Milnthorpe dog walker.

I need to let our Community Board know that our members number one issue is access to beaches and off-leash areas for dogs that include, but go beyond the dog bylaw. There are multiple ongoing issues with Forest and Bird. As you will know, they deposited rock barriers at Collingwood and attempted to do so at Milnthorpe without proper consultation, and they have spread false information in national media stating "50% of oystercatcher chicks in Milnthorpe are killed by dogs. It's a big problem."

Regarding the misinformation printed in the press on 14th August.

1. Despite complaints to Forest and Bird's head office, regional manager, and branch, we've only received misinformation and doubling down, with no acknowledgement or attempt to rectify this false claim.
2. We believe this is a deliberate act to support their aim of legislating dogs off beaches.
3. The area in question in the submission that was used to make up the statistic, covers a small area of sand dune near a property, and is not indicative of the beach of Milnthorpe as a whole, where Oystercatchers nest all along.
4. There is no conclusive evidence to prove that dogs were the cause of death to all these chicks.
5. The survival rates of oystercatchers generally range from 30% to 50%, so the figures mentioned are typical rather than alarming.

Our nearly 200 members in Mohua are aware and outraged by this misrepresentation and smoke screen responses are frankly, an insult to people's intelligence. It is unbecoming for a national charity to misuse its influence in such a manner. Stuff and Top South Media Editors eventually conceded and took the quote out on October 25, over two months after it was originally printed. They admitted that they could not verify the claim, which being presented as a statistic from someone who is a chair of a national charity would be seen as fact rather than opinion.

#### **Future areas of advocacy for Dog Owners Golden Bay**

Forest and Bird's organisation has either ignored all our emails or failed to address the issue. Their head office's weak attempts to discredit us in the GB Weekly, coupled with a lack of guidance from the regional manager, suggest that this approach is endemic to the organisation as a whole.

Our members have been asking Forest and Bird for an apology. The statistic is clearly untrue, and is deserving of a clear answer. Yet instead they are doubling down on their rhetoric.



- The nationwide F&B dog policy relies on cherry-picked science. The first reference cited is a blog from 2003, not a peer-reviewed paper. This lack of scientific rigour is unacceptable for a national charity, and the policy itself is unworkable.
- Elements of The National Biodiversity Strategy concern the committee members of Dog Owners Golden Bay in its scope, and in how it affects Regional councils, and will be an future area of focus for us.

As community board members and councillors, you are leaders in this space. Gay has already alluded to the harassment of dog walkers over the hill. I feel I must reiterate that there have been three reports of harassment by bird lobby members reported to the police in Kaiteriteri in the last month.

Dog Owners of Golden Bay members are expressing concern about the divisiveness that the rhetoric from F&B is causing. We will be encouraging our members to engage with the democratic process through submissions to the council on public reserve classifications and the urban plan up to 2050, but they remain frustrated at what they see as a foregone conclusion. So, we are here today because our members would like to hear from the councillors and community board members on this matter.

We all know each other in this small community and our members are seeing a close relationship between the Community Board and Forest and Bird. They are concerned and feeling mistrustful of the democratic process in this matter. While I understand you are not obligated to respond, and I thank Councillor Butler for her response to that end this morning, we believe a candid response from the board on this matter could go a long way to creating a sense of integrity and trust between the board and our members, to counteract the perceived lack of neutrality of the board on this matter, and thereby potentially easing tensions and preventing further conflict in our community. So for this reason I would like to publicly ask the board the same question I asked Councillor Butler-

- **Do you condone the approach taken by Forest and Bird in this matter?**

With respect to the Bylaw process itself, I submit to the Community Board from Dog Owners Golden Bay, a chart that I created from all 644 written submissions to council, which we believe show, quite clearly, an underwhelming response to the survey. So my final question today to the board is;

- **Will the TDC be producing and publicly sharing results from the survey data when posting the summary of their deliberations? And will it include all responses?**

We felt the Community Board's submission on the Dog Control policy was quite one-sided, and were surprised you didn't consult with local dog owners, since 1 in 3 households have dogs. We feel the smear campaign from Forest and Bird against dogs has contributed to this outcome,

14/6/2017

and don't believe there is clear evidence or a mandate from public opinion to ratify the draft bylaw as it stands.

Ngā mihi nui.

Golden Bay Ward vs. Question

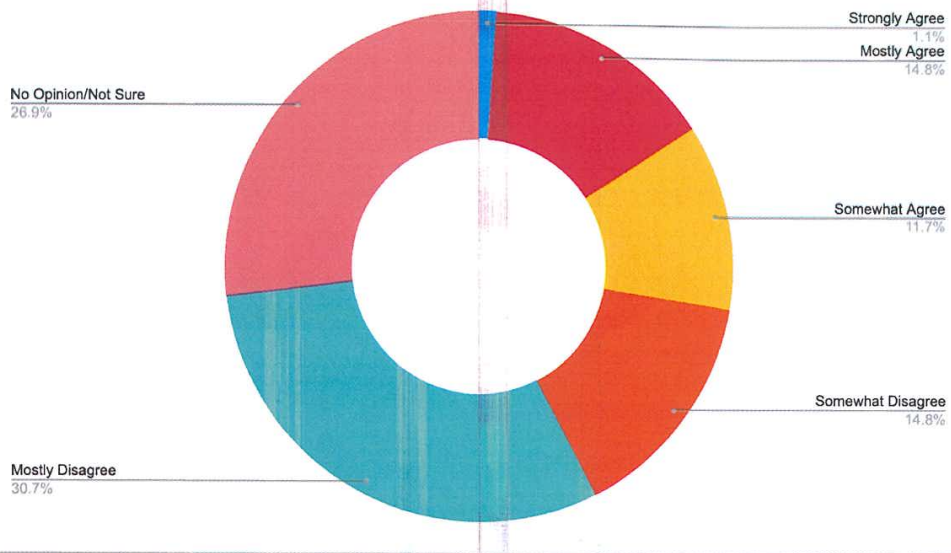


Fig1.0 Pie chart of respondents answers to the question of how much they agree with draft bylaw proposals for Golden Bay. Collated from all 644 submissions.

## Community Board Introduction

Hi there, my names Gay Hamilton and I'm the Chair of Dog Owners Golden Bay (DogB for short).

Our group was started out of frustration and concern. I and many others participated in the initial TDC online survey about how we felt the current Dog Bylaw rules were working and what needed to change. I checked back at the end of the submission period and saw some suggestions for changes, others didn't want any dogs on any beaches but on the whole the feedback was resoundingly positive about the old rules with a good 90% saying that not much change was needed.

So when the new proposal came out everyone was horrified! **Massive, massive overkill**. And there were a lot of comments on FB about how there was no point submitting as the council would do what they wanted anyway. Now that really upset me as I'm a big democracy person, and when people feel disenfranchised and disconnected that's when societies begin to break down.

I was also aware of what has been happening over the Hill where neighbour is pitted against neighbour, and it's becoming quite unpleasant with people harassing local dog walkers going about their day. Also with our local wildlife group illegally blocking areas with rocks in Collingwood and Milnethorpe, outraging local residents, that was starting to happen here. Not good.

I thought the only way we were going to be heard is if we banded together. So I put a post on the Community Noticeboard to see if there were any others as concerned as me and – WHAM – a huge response. So we have gone on from there. Its very much a collaborative thing – I created a Facebook page and got everyone to post their concerns and solutions about the areas they know well. While I travel around a lot as part of my job, I don't **know** every area well. The members of DogB do – they **know** their areas very well. So that's how we built our group submission – it's all about local knowledge and what is best for the wildlife, humans and pets within.

And that was just the start.

A vast amount of Golden Bay is DOC managed and already out of bounds for dogs. There are **very few** public areas where we can take them. The TDC recently did a bird survey, the upshot of which is great – there are a lot of birds living here. Also note that there is absolutely **no proof** that birds and wildlife are at risk **at all**, let alone from dogs. The bird survey recommended that it be repeated in 1-2 years and we agree – we don't think there is a problem here, there is no proof that there is, so why doesn't the TDC wait and find out scientifically and conclusively **if** there is a problem at all. This seems logical to me and we hope that the TDC also sees that logic.

*Gay Hamilton*



Beyond the submission our group has 2 focuses – advocacy and community. The Advocacy role has grown from the submission. We are setting up an Incorporated Society - we have a wide range of people in our group with a good range of knowledge and skills in both the canine and community aspects. We feel that our expertise should be drawn on, not ignored as we are a resource and should be seen by you, the Board, and the TDC as such.

The Community side of things is my pet project. Dogs are wonderful things. People can be quite isolated for many reasons, physically or socially. Maybe things aren't going well for them, or they're getting older and can no longer get out and about like they did. But they've got their dog and that dog gives them a focus away from their troubles. That's me too - I'm out walking my dogs every day at 7.30 rain or shine. It gets me up and out, and I see and talk to other people, I get some air and exercise, and I clean the beach while I walk. Every single day I start with a smile.

In the past I've participated in dog training groups in Hope Domain, and I'd love some of those events to be available here. Within our group we have the skills to start that. Both dogs and humans need mental stimulation as well as physical so everyone will benefit hugely from that. And non-dog owners will benefit from having more happy healthy humans in their community.

We also will have social walking groups – we already have a Little Dog Play Group in the Bay where owners of little dogs meet up for some safe play, which is very important for underconfident or smaller dogs. We will be setting up other similar groups for bigger dogs and also some beach cleanup groups at different beaches – that way we can meet new people and do something positive for our community too.

I note the TDC no longer has a contract with Control Services so we don't have a Dog Ranger in the Bay. The dog rangers in our district were extremely skilled so this is a big loss to our region. I understand they now have two rangers for the entire district. I would like to know how the TDC intend to enforce the current rules let alone any new ones.

If they want us to pick up the slack and continue to monitor visitor behaviour, keep our beaches clean and clear and report Bylaw breaches then they really do need to treat us a little better.



# PORT TARAKOHE DRAFT STRUCTURE PLAN

*Thriving and resilient Tasman communities*



Te Kaunhera o  
**te tai o Aorere**

# Introduction, context & project update

## Programme

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-  Stage 1: Project initiation and collation of background information
  -  Stage 2: Issues and Options, including engagement with iwi and key stakeholders
  -  Stage 3: Draft Structure Plan, including engagement with community
  -  Stage 4: Final Structure Plan
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- Council is drafting a Structure Plan to guide future development and use of Port Tarakohe.
- Community engagement and a public meeting was held in Feb/March 2024 for draft Issues and Options paper.
- The feedback has been used to draft the Structure Plan.

# Structure Plan Area



- Port Tarekohe Ltd
- Talleys Ltd
- Tasman District Council
- Department of Conservation



## Background to the Structure Plan

- Significant area for tāngata whenua
- Historic area with Golden Bay Cement plant and original wharf
- Focus of commercial activity for Mohua / Golden Bay, including aquaculture,
- Resilience - if Takaka Hill road is unavailable
- Important community and recreational area
- Landscape and ecological importance
- Zoning “patchwork”

# Key themes for the Structure Plan

## MANA WHENUA

**COMMUNITY NEEDS**

**SPECIAL  
ENVIRONMENTS**

**GROWTH**

## RESPONSES TO HAZARDS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

# Engagement

- Hui with iwi representatives from Ngāti Tama, Te Atiawa, and Manawhenua ki Mohua (MKM) on 18 May 2023 (inc site visit)
- Presentation to Golden Bay Community Board February 2024
- Shape Tasman page and notices in Newsline
- Public open day at the Boat Club February 2024
- Communication with landowners and key stakeholders
- Input from Council staff to draft
- Feedback on draft sought from MKM and all iwi in September 2024

Note: Feedback from previous processes also incorporated.

# Key issues from engagement

- ✕ Increased and enhanced amenities and activities.
- 🚤 Increased recognition of and support for the full range of recreational opportunities.
- 🚢 Support the commercial Port as an important resource for supporting economic operations, tourism opportunities and providing resilience for Golden Bay.
- ➔ Protect the significant ecological and landscape qualities of the area.



# Structure Plan

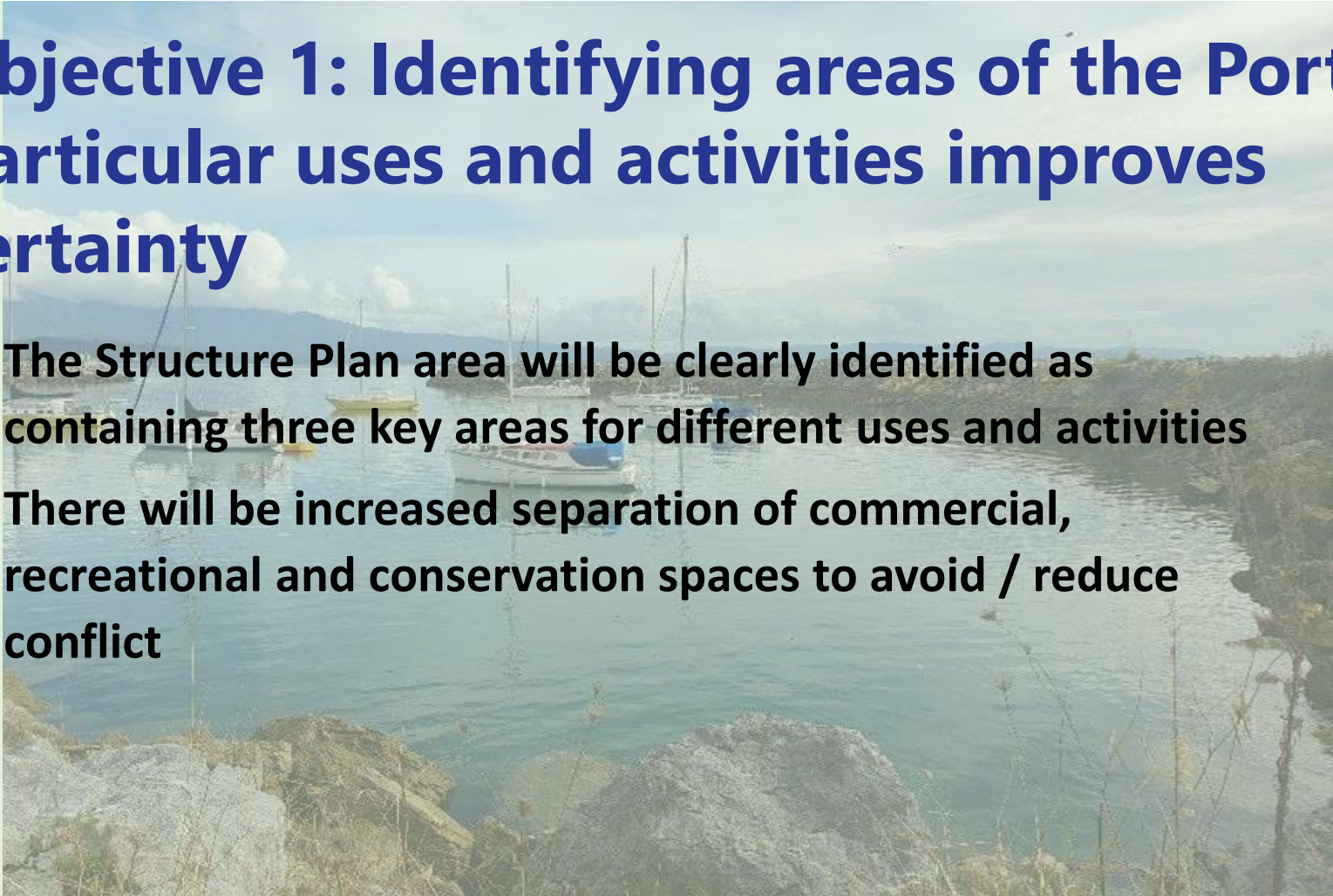


# Overarching Strategy – three objectives

1. Identifying areas of the Port for particular uses and activities improves certainty
2. Providing for growth and change
3. Celebrating values and protecting special spaces

# **Objective 1: Identifying areas of the Port for particular uses and activities improves certainty**

- **The Structure Plan area will be clearly identified as containing three key areas for different uses and activities**
- **There will be increased separation of commercial, recreational and conservation spaces to avoid / reduce conflict**



## Objective 2: Providing for growth and change

- Provision will be made for appropriate growth and development, with any change focused within parts of the Structure Plan area that can accommodate change
- There will be a focus on opportunities and options that are good for everyone and the environment



## Objective 3: Celebrating values and protecting special spaces

- There will be protection of vulnerable areas and species
- Provision will be made for some appropriate development of some areas to celebrate importance and enable enhancement



# Action Plan

The Structure Plan sets the direction at a high level.

The Action Plan **provides for delivery** through further work and implementation.

Some actions will identify further tasks that need to be completed to achieve the ultimate outcomes sought.

Actions have been applied to each of the three approaches and prioritised.



# Actions for Objective 1

- Rezone the Structure Plan area through a plan change
- Prepare and consult on a proposal to classify the western area as Recreation Reserve
- Legalise reclamation and property boundaries



## Actions for Objective 2

- Identify activities with ‘functional need’
- Apply rules to each area through a plan change
- Prepare and consult on a management plan for the commercial Port area for future development
- Prepare a 3 waters servicing report
- Prepare a roading and transport report
- Review and consult on a Port Tarakohe reserve section within the Golden Bay Ward Reserves Management Plan

## Actions for Objective 3

- Identify and protect areas of landscape and natural character value through a plan change (underway)
- Identify and protect areas of ecological significance
- Work with iwi to commission assessment of cultural values and mechanisms to protect and celebrate values
- Formalise and support a community biodiversity group
- Support DOC
- Develop a contamination management plan





# Next steps

- Presentation to GB community Board
- Discuss with the Port Taranaki Advisory Group
- Public engagement
- Iwi hui and Stakeholder meetings
- Updates based on feedback
- Council adoption



