

<b>COMMUNITY</b>	Te Araroa	<b>DATE</b>	19/03/2018	<b>NOTES TAKEN BY</b>	Edwina Ashwell
<b>ATTENDEES (16)</b>	Mayor Meng Foon, Nedine Thatcher-Swann (GDC), Anita Reedy-Holthausen (GDC), Edwina Ashwell (GDC), Councillor Bill Burdett, Varnya Subritzky, Mere Chaffey, Lenard Chaffey, Rose Fox, Louina Houkamau, Lorna Pahuru, EdBaukham, Joe Baukham, Pohatu Poutu, Hine Te Ao Poutu, Rose Stainton.				

**ACTION REQUIRED****1. Toilets:**

Resident. Where's the new toilet going to be?

Response. We need to find appropriate site and solutions, such as waterless, self decomposting or a regular toilet which requires water source. There will be consultation with the community. Discussion followed over the proposed site.

No action required

**2. RUBBISH:**

Resident. Gilbert does an excellent job, keeping the rubbish clear. In the summer time we need a temporary rubbish bin by our local swimming hole, is that feasible?

Response. We will forward to WM, but people need to take responsibility for their own rubbish.

Refer to Waste Management

**3. WATER VS RATES:**

Resident: We don't use town supply so it's unfair that we have to pay for their water.

Response: Meng clarified that people don't pay for water if they are not attached to it. The rating model differs for rural and urban residents. Discussion followed about rates modelling, how it works, and how does GDC ensure that it is fairly distributed. Where the need is, is where we aim to spend it.

No action required

Resident: We regularly face poor attitudes from councillors... "you choose to live here so be thankful for what you have", "stop moaning" and so on. I can't see where our rates go. Discussion followed about rates. Councillor Burdett talked about the cost of services for the coast, specifically roads and the impact of the cost of road maintenance. "We receive more than what we pay".

**4. ROADS:**

Resident. The forestry has to pay big, but do we get to see that money or does it go to a national fund? Response. GDC are putting a tonno forward for greater funding, around our roads.

No action required

Resident: The roads are looking way better since the new contractor started.

**5. REPRESENTATION REVIEW**

Mayor Meng Foon presented the representation review. Discussion followed about the different options.

No action required

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6. **WHARF:**  
Resident. The wharf needs to be fixed up.  
Response. The wharf design has been completed, we are currently working through what the projected costs are and the building process. No action required
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7. **TOWNSHIP UPGRADE:**  
Resident. Is there money available to help fund the wharf, material labour etc.  
Response. In year 1, the township upgrade fund is available, 250k. The toilets have nothing to do with the 250k that comes from a national tourism fund. No action required
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8. **TOURISM BUDGET:**  
Resident. Can the tourism budget cover signage?  
Response. There is always the opportunity to negotiate, there is only 2 1/2 years left for this funding, and it is an unprecedented amount of funding, we need to leverage a tourism package. It is a tourism infrastructure fund. GDC to develop a Tourism Package for the Fund.
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9. **PORT:**  
Resident. We don't want a port! Discussion followed about forestry, landowners, the process and that any further queries should be directed to Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou. No action required
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