Notes of Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua committee workshop 11.2.16

5-9 pm at Judgeford Golf Club, Haywards Hill Rd

Summary

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Workshop Attendees	**Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Committee:** Barbara, Diane (late), David (late), Jennie, Larissa, Sharli-Jo, Stu (Chair), Bronwyn, **Apologies:** Warrick, John M, Naomi, John G, Richard **Project Team:** Shelley, Hayley, Isabella, Keith, Caroline, Grace **Apologies:** Sheryl, Jo, Nicci, Jon, Alastair, Jonathan, Shane **Members of the Public:** n/a

Workshop purpose	The purposes of this workshop were to:
	    1. Familiarise with next six months' work
	    2. Get status report on engagement, decide what to do
	    3. Get whole Committee on board with comprehensive set of values
	    4. Get whole Committee on board with processes (working group / subcommittee)
	    5. Get more comfortable with attributes - have a go at identifying some
	
	By the end of the night we aimed to have:
	    1. produced a set of community engagement actions with who & when
	    2. *produced a confirmed set of tweaks to Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua community values (instructions to Working Group)*
	
	The purposes were achieved.

Actions and general business to do

Timeline / work programme, working groups	By 20.2.16: • Committee: confirm availability for evening meet & greet with PCC councillors on either 9.3.16 or 16.3.16 By 25.02.16: • Project Team: send Committee an expanded work timeline with info on working groups' activity • Project Team: send Committee ToR for working groups • Project team: send Committee CMP modellers' names incl those potentially involved (e.g. mātauranga Māori) • Project team: seek TAs' confirmation that TAOPWC members do not need to be standing councillors For 17.3.16: • Committee: consider what working group/s to be on (noting Values working group actions below)
Community engagement	By 17.2.16: • Project team: send template email to Committee members to amend, onsend to contacts By 18.2.16: • PT: send template email to Committee • Committee: contact groups identified in community engagement spreadsheet • PT: do engagement actions identified (see section 3 / see community engagement spreadsheet) • PT to create plan for schools & colleges using Committee input • PT to propose 3x "open access" public / community engagement opportunitues, get Committee feedback, then book By 23.2.16: • Committee: contact groups in spreadsheet with your name on them
Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua values	By end February • Committee: decide who else to be on Values Working Group and confirm new members (noting Barbara nomination) By 10.3.16: • Values Working Group make changes to values, provide to Committee for discussion at 17.3.16

Workshop notes

Session 1 – welcome, introductions

Chair Stu Farrant introduced the meeting, welcoming everyone back and expressing the Committee's anticipation of a good busy 2016 with more active work. He encouraged Committee members to come to him with any comments on sessions, ideas and wishes for the whaitua work programme.

After the karakia our observing visitors were introduced –

US university students, working with Greater Wellington to look at adoption of low-impact design (LID) to improve water quality.

Focus: assessing people's awareness of LID, and factors influencing whether it's used or not, and why it's not more popular.

Their project outcome will be a consolidated report, covering the drivers and limits on LID adoption, in the Wellington region.

Session 2 - Familiarise with next six months' work
(Shelley Elliott, Greater Wellington)
See presentation & timeline handout, in Whaitua Committee shared workspace

Session Purpose:
- Committee have overview of what's happening when, why, and how over next six months
- Committee agree in principle with approach of using working groups.

Committee shaping work programme	Committee need to be comfortable with information availability, pace of work, approach to work etc. Stu is the channel for requests, feedback, suggestions etc. Stu is working with Project Team to incorporate areas we know the Cttee would like more – e.g. urban development and stormwater.
Work and working groups	Next 6 months include labour-intensive work areas. Especially identifying attributes, modelling, also community engagement. Ruamāhanga experience: too laborious to have entire Committee doing all work via facilitated workshops. Suggested approach: working groups. Values working group (see below) was a first stab at one for Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua Working groups: do work offline from Committee meetings, but all decisions made by full Committee. Transparency is key; can design / run working groups for best efficiency and transparency. Working groups: • 50:50 PT and Committee membership • Coordinator / support wrangler is a PT person. • Exact timing of work is unpredictable but all members - be ready to do work quickly. • Cttee working group members do work but also the conduit between Cttee & Working Group – transparency for rest of Committee about working group's activity.
Working group membership	• Committee members should think about what working group/s they'd like to be on – preferences / specialisations / curiosity / availability are good reasons. • Expanded timeline is needed with kinds & quantiites of work involved, approximate timing for working groups so people can make informed decisions. • Questions raised about the process for the Values working group – membership appeared to be dominantly iwi-affiliated people, also all younger women. Balance of perspectives is important on groups. • Important not to lose pace with whaitua work during local body elections. • GW is committed to whaitua process - will not be halted by a new Council. • Current understanding is that WCC and PCC representatives on TAOPWC can be whomever the TAs choose – people are keen to clarify

this, noting that Bronwyn does not intend to stand again as councillor in 2016.

Modelling	• Modelling will be a lot of work – top models needed. • CMP is a "meta model" – a model with many models within it (e.g. for different natural and human processes, for different values). • Status quo setup happens first for each whaitua, then start running scenarios. • Ruamāhanga and Te Awarua-o-Porirua whaitua are almost neck and neck for modelling work – no major lessons yet from Ruamāhanga for TAoPW. • Collaborative Modelling Project – crème de la crème of modellers & experts feeding in, incl mātauranga Māori specialist.
Modelling working group	• Committee will meet modellers on 3.3.16 session. • Committee want to understand more how modelling processes works in background of other work, need more info in the timeline. • Committee members emphasised importance of Committee working closely with modellers – TAOPWC is the client for their work.

Session 3 – Community Engagement: status report and actions
(Shelley Elliott, Greater Wellington)
See presentation and spreadsheet in Whaitua Committee shared workspace

Session purposes:
• Everyone is aware of status of community engagement
• We've identified actions and responsibility for PT and Committee

Status report - input so far	• 20 Bang the Table (BTT) responses. Facebook best for getting people there. • ~150 physical surveys from Festival of the Elements (FOE) • FOE input yet to be put into BTT. No postal forms received yet (too soon)
FoE debrief	• Overall: success – well done all. 7 Committee members and 7 PT members helped out • Particular respect to Larissa, Sharli-Jo, Jennie – several hours of active engagement. Recollections: • Decent prior knowledge of harbour & issues – perhaps some fixed views of its degraded state (snapshot in time? Partly created by overall focus of media, publicity, activities?) • Location of Festival (near Harbour) perhaps also primed people to interpret "water" as "harbour", not streams (poor awareness of these), nor coast. • Many people on the same page – similar themes recurring in responses • People wanted to write things What worked (do again):

- Giveaways – cardboard pens, stickers
- Luring people with free plants
- Visual appeal of decorative plants (PCC's)
- Clustering harbour / environment-related stalls
- Approaching people directly and talking with them
- Maps – much loved

Do differently (Creekfest 12 March, Cannons Creek Park):
- Don't be located amongst 20 "input-seeking" organisations – fatiguing for public
- Give out healthy food & drink
- Have food & drink for marathon Committee & PT members
- More big survey-only forms vs little brochures – people have lots to write
- Photos / info on Whaitua Committee & process
- Don't approach people with clipboards up – have open body language & faces

Engagement over holidays	- Some (limited) engagement – mainly emails. Two approaches: lead with survey link & ask to fill in, then offer to come meet – or vice-versa. - Template email would be handy but emails need to come from Committee members – so must be personalised. - Several Committee members described their activities – these need to be captured on spreadsheet, provide details to Shelley - PT to pick a hashtag for Twitter.
Where we're at:	- We are doing OK by input measures (quite a lot of work done so far) but need more feedback overall, and need to cover the major gaps. - Some discussion about where the gaps are. - Schools and southern whaitua suburbs are main gaps so far
Filling gaps: schools / colleges"	- Schools: - Members will contact schools they have links to and offer whaitua speak / run event. - PT will contact EnviroSchools and use already established relationships – keep Committee informed - Teachers seem keen to do stuff – need to take these opportunities; kids are best way in to get parents' input too. Brief spiel in school newsletters is valuable - Don't limit to Enviroschools schools and don't forget colleges. - Jennie happy to run a dedicated session for & with kids. - PT to create plan using Committee input
Filling gaps: North Wellington suburbs	- North Wellington / South whaitua suburbs: David to identify community events and use Malcolm's networks – recommendation to PT and Committee - Popup / stall in the Johnsonville mall (busy shopping day) is another option
Filling gaps: "open access" public meetings	- Need to have some open access, highly publicised public meetings - to cover our bases - Might not get high attendance but people knowing they're on is key. - Need one in each major area of the catchment – noting Porirua CBD is a bad location for attendance. Three was suggested

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- PT to propose locations, Committee to confirm / change.

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Session 4 – Confirming our initial Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua community values
Values Working Group representatives (Raewyn, Jennie, Hayley)
See report in Whaitua Committee shared workspace – values & working group process

Session purposes:
1. Get all Committee comfortable with the process & working group
2. Get whole Committee(including those not present at 3.12.15) on board with a "first comprehensive cut" of values to use as a reference point for engagement with community

Raewyn Klenner gave a brief talk on the process that produced the values material (table 1 and 2 of the "Draft values for Te Awarua-o-Porirua whaitua" report, and discussion followed.

Key points are below.

Values Working Group process so far	Values Working Group (VWG) took first go at values (typed-up sticky window from 3.12.15 session at Plimmerton Boating Club). Sheryl had first go at further grouping values into ten clusters, and filling some gaps identified on 3.12.15 (see minutes of 3.12.15 workshop) without any reference to other values lists (e.g. NRP values or the Ruamāhanga). Gaps identified included mana whenua values, economic / commercial values. The VWC was convened in 2016 – initial membership is Jennie and Naomi for the Committee, and Raewyn, Sheryl and Hayley for the project team. Hayley was informal coordinator - not permanent. The VWC condensed the 3.12.15 workshop materials by grouping similar ideas and removing duplication. The text was refined and titles revised to better reflect the different ideas in each grouping. Te reo Māori equivalents of the titles were created.
Rationales for process – answers to discussion questions	Why we are identifying Committee's values before community input is in – why not wait for the community's expression and use that? • TAOPWC members are community members too; Committee also acts in some respects as a proxy for the community – with advantage of much deeper information than most people. Committee members' own values are therefore valid and useful information. • Having a reference point helps in the process of identifying values from others' input by enabling a burst of work then comparing incoming information. Committee values statement is not given privileged status, but is amended if important things are missing / ill-articulated to express Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua people's values. • Getting an early, big-picture sense of "the community's" values (albeit mostly from the proxy community of the Committee) enables modelling work to start – identifying attributes of the major values and assessing status quo. Why did VWC add whole "new" values in that weren't put up by TAOPWC in 3.12.15 session? • On the night, Committee identified that mana whenua values and economic / commercial values were "undercooked" - largely absent

from the sticky window. Time, energy, the right people were not available to fix this on the night.
- Mana whenua values were a specific gap - see below.

Did everyone in TAOPWC know on 3.12.15 they were creating material that would be used later? Does this undermine the validity of the material?
- Perceptions were varied about the purpose of the values-identifying work on 3.12.15, and included:
  - Road-testing the three questions for usefulness (check if rewording needed)
  - Seeing how the process works, getting a feel for the kinds of information and processing involved in identifying values
  - Identifying own values as citizens, to compare / contrast with community input from engagement
  - it wasn't clear for some while what the next steps were
- There was agreement that no-one took the exercise flippantly, so material should be considered valid but not sacred – appropriate to modify and use as a reference point.

Mana whenua values: rationales for process	The gap of mana whenua values needed to be filled - and the appropriate people to do so are Ngāti Toa (as iwi partners, and as those with the best connections to taura here Various partnership and statutory obligations require Greater Wellington to "reflect" mana whenua values as a minimum; this process goes further than the minimum which people felt was a good thing. Mana whenua values statement (table 1) is not a substitute for combined English/Te Reo expression of all values – complementary. English/Te Reo expression reflects the approach in all other major planning documents.
Values Working Group process from now	• The VWC will take the Committee's changes from 11.2.16, amend the values material accordingly and report back to the Committee. • They will also assess the incoming values information from the community and recommend any amendments to the Committee's values set. • Committee shall agree any changes to be made. • Membership of the VWC is not fixed. • Barbara is keen to be on the VWC; another member is sought from the Committee - let the Chair know.
Actions for the initial TAOPW values (Table 2)	General thoughts: • Fewer values are better • Use simple tests for values statements (e.g. do they cover quality & standards, plus connection & access) • Values statement plus description is a good format • We shouldn't overwork this values material – will be changed by community input • "Flag" actions are things to bear in mind as community input is incorporated – be alert for these. ➔ Flag – "recreational" and "access" values material shouldn't necessarily be combined - they have different connotations and physical implications ➔ Future generations / future-focussed element must be added. Find the best place (noting "sustainable development" below). Flag - Kaitiakitanga concept perhaps useful ➔ "Fun & whanau" – combine with recreation

- ➔ "Kai" – should be a standalone value
- ➔ "Ecological health" should be a standalone value.
  - o Wording should include "natural character" element with functional focus (i.e. not just *looking* natural), and biodiversity element.
  - o "Clean" and "beautiful" are very subjective – Flag as they'll be used lots in community input
- ➔ "Te awa wairua" and "wai mauri"
  - o Combine the two sets, with a pan-cultural articulation.
  - o These values are held by all cultures and TAOPW values should reflect whaitua's cultural diversity. Universalism of water for life, a treasure for humanity.
  - o Explanation / description should be simplified: English should match Te Reo; Jennie's verbal description had good wording.
- ➔ "Te mana o Te Awarua-o-Porirua"
  - o should be wordsmithed to express "whaitua recognises Ngati Toa as mana whenua" idea.
  - o "We" means everyone, not just Ngati Toa
- ➔ "visitor experience" should be removed
- ➔ Resilience and economic value of developing land should be expressed – "sustainable development of land" is good wording.

Session 5 – Attributes
Hayley Vujcich, Greater Wellington
> *See paper in Whaitua Committee shared workspace*

This session was deferred to the next workshop