Hi Annette,

Thanks for chasing this up - the contract with MRP commits PNCC to literally moving heaven and earth to push the proposal through. You outline that PNCC is 'unable to intervene' in this 'process' and this is before a full proposal has been submitted for Resource Consent. PNCC has to be able to walk away from this plan at anytime and if it can't then it is not living up to it's promises and responsibilities regarding the protection of indigenous fauna & flora and the city's water supply if it's eyes are blinkered to the suspect MRP actions regarding PNCC ratepayers and their desire to obtain consent for this proposal.

Justice Baragwanath in his comments regarding the judicial review of the PNCC decision to change the purpose of the Turitea Reserve highlighted that if the public didn't like the direction PNCC was taking, the best way to stop the proposal was to create some momentum through electing like-minded Councillors. I believe that the electorate has done that and hope that you can work with the likes of Lew Findlay, Mike Feyen, Anne Podd, Bruce Wilson and others to stop this foolishness.

Shall be in touch again in the New Year.

Have a great Christmas.

Adrian.

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On Fri, 14 Dec 2007 08:34:08 +1300 (NZDT), Annette Nixon kiwiannette@yahoo.co.nz> wrote:
Ata marie Adrian,

PNCC obviously unable to intervene in a process very strategically planned by developer, but also unprepared at an earlier stage to have sought /negotiated
assurances from MRP regarding their future actions.

Happy Christmas.
Annette Nixon

--- Chris Pepper <chris.pepper@pncc.govt.nz> wrote:
Subject: FW: Councillor Issue
Date: Thu, 13 Dec 2007 16:00:43 +1300
From: "Chris Pepper" <chris.pepper@pncc.govt.nz>
To: "Annette Nixon" <kiwiannette@yahoo.co.nz> CC: "Mike Manson"
<mike.manson@pncc.govt.nz>,"Serena Palmer" <serena.palmer@pncc.govt.nz>,
"Paddy Clifford" <paddy.clifford@pncc.govt.nz>

Annette - sorry about the delay in responding to your queries relating to a windfarm proposed for the Turitea Reserve. To briefly summarise, Council has undertaken a process, including a Judicial Review in the High Court, to allow the potential development of a windfarm in part of the Turitea Reserve. Council has a contract in place with Mighty River Power to allow them to develop a wind farm on the Reserve, subject to Mighty River Power obtaining resource consents for the work. Council is aware that Mighty River have purchased property and negotiated with landowners adjacent to the Reserve. These are by their nature private discussions to which Council is not privy. Before any windfarm development occurs, publicly notified resource consents will need to be obtained for which Mighty River will have to undertake public consultation as required by the Resource Management Act. Any consents granted could be appealed to the Environment Court. To the best of my knowledge, Mighty River do not intent to apply for consents until the second quarter of 2008 at the earliest. Mike Manson and myself are happy to respond to questions from Councillors on this matter.

Regards
Chris Pepper
Good morning Mike and Chris
Has there been any progress on the issues to do with Mighty River Power, as per the attached email from Councillor Nixon?

Thanks

Serena
message to that address, the time of receipt will be when the message actually comes to the attention of the addressee, not the time the message enters the designated information system. Thank You

Subject: FW: New & outstanding issues
Date: Tue, 27 Nov 2007 13:37:14 +1300
From: "Paddy Clifford" <paddy.clifford@pncc.govt.nz>
To: "Serena Palmer" <serena.palmer@pncc.govt.nz>

Hi Serena

Would you please log and track this matter raised by Cr Nixon.

I think it may be able to be answered by Jane's area

Thanks.

Paddy

-----Original Message-----
From: Paddy Clifford
Sent: Tuesday, 27 November 2007 13:35
To: Annette Nixon
Subject: RE: New & outstanding issues

Hi Annette

I am unable to provide you with an immediate comment but I will get one of my staff to respond to you on the issues raised in the Turitea Reserve email.

Regards,

Paddy
-----Original Message-----

From: Annette Nixon [mailto:kiwiannette@yahoo.co.nz]
Sent: Tuesday, 27 November 2007 13:21
To: Paddy Clifford

Subject: Fwd: New & outstanding issues

Kiaora,

Can you comment on this?

Annette Nixon

--- Turitea Reserve <turiteareserve@yahoo.co.nz> wrote:

Date: Mon, 26 Nov 2007 01:15:43 -0800 (PST)
From: Turitea Reserve <turiteareserve@yahoo.co.nz>
Subject: New & outstanding issues
To: turiteareserve@yahoo.co.nz

And so it begins...

Recent news indicates that Mighty River Power are already recommending compensation packages to those living on the South side of the Pahiatua Track during private visits based on the possible windfarm development on the Turitea Reserve. Unfortunately it seems that MRP are failing in their obligation to disclose the extent of the whole development in that it is also planned to stretch down the Pahiatua Track through to the Turitea Valley. It seems that those taking compensation are unaware that most, if not all, vistas will be blighted because of the half truths and
ambiguities of MRP. Having signed up for compensation those often living closest to the proposal are then unable to object during the Resource Consent process. Only then are they likely to know the full scale of the proposal. By not objecting, MRP are then able to claim that those that have been paid out are unconcerned with the development. Quite a cunning way to divide those that are concerned about the proposal from those that have potentially most at stake. MRP apparently state that the proposal is a 'certainty' so those living closest by should sign up for compensation sooner rather than later. Unfortunately it seems that some have signed up for compensation without knowing the full story. One has to remember that PNCC are likely to turn a blind eye to this strategy because of their burning desire for the project to take place. Quite frankly, PNCC are getting MRP to do their dirty work for them now, before any full proposal might be laid out for consultation. Whether any consultation is likely to take place is unknown, but none of the SOEs that have sought local Resource Consents for windfarms have consulted with local communities as a whole with public meetings prior to lodging their intentions with the council. It's essential that you lobby the mayor and your Councillors to find out what's happening and demand that the local ratepayers be informed of the overall scope and size of the proposal before any Resource Consent is lodged. Even better, lobby the mayor and your local Councillors highlighting your concerns over the proposal and seek that it be debated again now that a new set of Councillors are sitting, many of whom openly disagreed with the proposal. Time is marching on and it would not be unexpected for MRP to proceed prior to Christmas and catch everyone on the hop. Do not be complacent over the ultimate scale of the proposal and how quickly things will start moving in the next few months. Contact the mayor and your local Councillors using this link - http://www.pncc.govt.nz/Council/Council/MayorAndCouncillors.htm

All the best.
Adrian.