

Planning & Regulatory Manager's Report – September 2006



Resource Consents: July – September 2006

Since July 2006, the following resource consents have been granted by the Manager: Planning and Regulatory under delegated authority:

RM061229	Land Use – Relocated House Waitaki Ventures Limited Jack Street, Morven	04/08/06
RM061234	Land Use – Erect Boiler House Makikihi Fries Limited State Highway 1 & Makikihi Beach Road, Makikihi	04/08/06
RM061236	Outline Plan – Additional Dish Antenna to Mast Mt Studholme	11/08/06
RM061240	Land Use – House in Flood Risk Area 268 Ikawai Middle Road, Glenavy	14/08/06
RM061238	Subdivision – Create Three Rural Allotments & Two Corner Splays Creasers Road, Waimate Hunter Road, Upper Hook Road (Gunns Corner)	23/08/06
RM061243	Land Use – Erect new plant (boiler and stack, dryer building and dry store) Packers Road, Studholme	08/09/06
RM061237	Subdivision – Create three Rural allotments Engelbrechts Road, Hook	19/09/06
RM061242	Outline Plan – Mobile Phone Facility John Street, Waimate	20/09/06
RM061244	Subdivision – Create Two Rural Allotments Frenchmans Gully Road, Craigmore	20/09/06
RM061247	Change of Conditions to RM061234 Makikihi Fries Limited State Highway 1 & Makikihi Beach Road, Makikihi	21/09/06

MATTERS OF INTEREST:

Council has received notice that Saatchi Corporation Limited has lodged an appeal with the Environment Court against Council's decision on the proposed subdivision of their land south of Galletleys Road near St Andrews and between the South Island Main Trunk Railway line and the Pacific Ocean. They are appealing against Council's decision to decline subdivision and land use consent

for Lots 8, 9, and 10. In addition, they are seeking that the 15m road reserve width serving the allotments in the subdivision be reduced to 10m or less

Dog Registrations

As at 5 October 2006, 3004 dogs have been registered in the Waimate District for the 2006/07 year. 124 known dogs remain unregistered for the current year.

Reminder letters have been sent to all owners with unregistered dogs, these letters advised that a 50% penalty has been imposed.

Civil Defence /Emergency Management

SECTOR POSTS

Morven and Glenavy have had their regular sector post meetings. The focus at recent meetings has been a Tsunami evacuation plan which is progressing well. Southburn have had their inaugural sector post meeting which, when coupled with the new teams appearing in Cannington and Maungati will increase the ability of the district to look after its residents in time of crisis.

HAZARDS

Hazards Planning is continuing around Canterbury hazards. The current focus is on water, waste water and fuel supply failure along with continuing work on Pandemic planning.

TRAINING

On Friday the 6th of October, council staff will be exercising their civil defence roles as required under the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002. Les Pester (the Emergency Services Manager for Waimakariri District Council) will be coming down to evaluate the level of readiness and suggest areas for improvement. A lot of work has gone into training on a one-on-one basis to improve procedures as identified during the snow in addition to the half day training from a Canterbury Group trainer.

EMERGENCY MESSAGING

Waimate is the third council in the country to join a new text messaging service for emergency messages. People choose to enrol and they can receive weather warnings and messages during emergencies as texts straight to their cellphones. The advantages of the system are:

- Messages can be sent very rapidly to potentially a large number of people (providing cellphones are working).
- The likelihood for messages to suffer from a Chinese whispers effect will diminish with the less hands the message passes through.
- The system will reduce the number of calls the warden will be asked to make.
- All weather warnings can be passed on and people can choose what if any actions to take without needing to spend any time if they so wish.
- Council staff will not have to make as many judgement calls about which messages to send out for fear of overworking wardens and will be able to send out all warnings reducing the likelihood of comeback if staff get it wrong.

The recipients can join the system for free by filling in a form which is with the wardens, community groups, at the library and in the Planning Dept or can text to

join for a one-off 50 cent fee. Recipients receive all text messages for free and when they choose to leave the system there is a 50 cent fee. The system is provided by Optn Ltd (part of Rocom) at a very reduced rate as a public service.

MISCELLANEOUS

Other recent events include the Waimate Emergency Services meeting. Discussion included the other agency involvement in the Canterbury annual exercise and how we can cooperate even more fully in future events.

Health Report

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

There were nine cases of diseases notified for the period ie – 4 cases of Cryptosporidiosis, 4 cases of Campylobacteriosis, and 1 case of Salmonellosis. These were investigated and a report sent to the Medical Officer of Health.

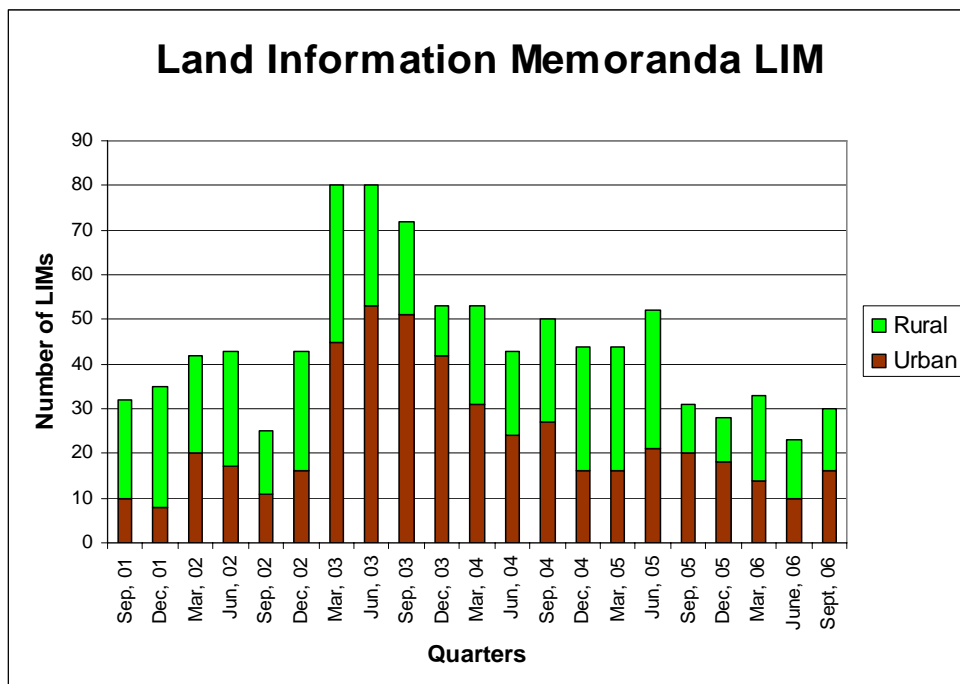
FOOD PREMISES

These have now been registered for the year, along with other premises such as Camping grounds, Hairdressers, Funeral Director, Offensive Trades and Itinerant Traders.

COMPLAINTS

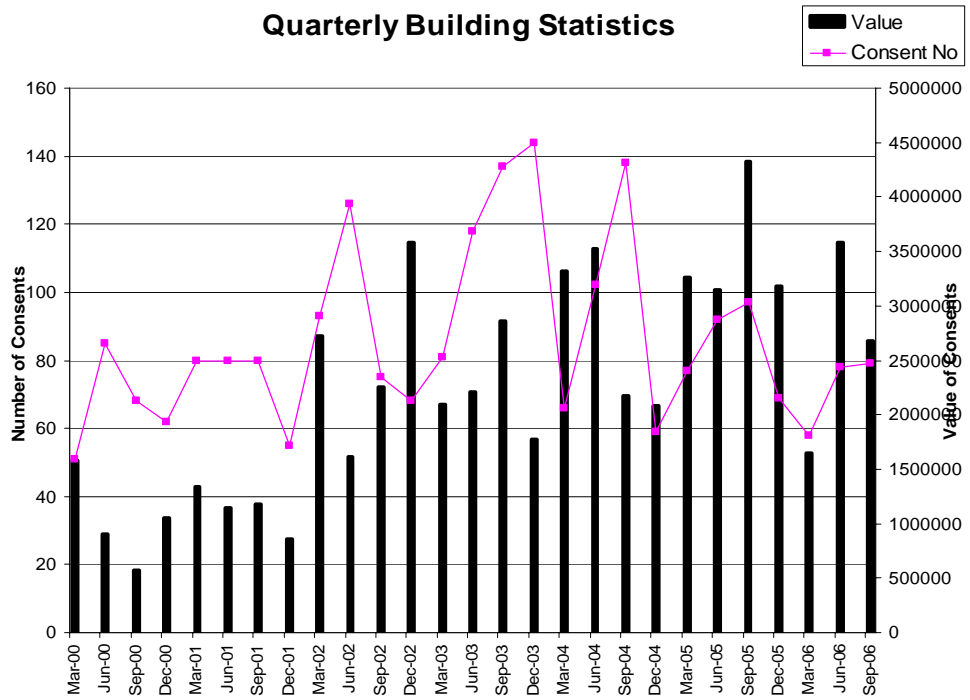
Complaints regarding noise have been dealt with as required. These may involve stereos or party noise, industrial, or animas/birds. Complaints concerning other matters are investigated as circumstances required.

Land Information Memoranda



Councillors will note a slight rise in the number of LIM's requested.

Building Consents



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