

**Hahei Beach Ratepayers
Association**

To Hahei Beach Rate Payers Association Committee
From Gilbert Bannan
Date 26 May 2017
Subject **Tourist and Traffic Update May 2017**

1. What has been happening

The Terms of Reference has been sent out to all Committee members.

Bill has sent out emails to the Mayor and Scott Simpson reelecting on the numbers visiting Cathedral Cove.

Gilbert and John met with Steve Bremner from TCDC at the village entry carpark to discuss a number of issues still to be sorted before the carpark becomes fully operational.

Given that the Lees Road carpark will not be approved/ ready, and the transfer of the Cathedral Cove carpark from DoC to TCDC is unlikely this year we will need to have in place a plan to manage tourist activity over next summer. TCDC have sent through proposed signage designs to put on the side of the Hahei Beach road leading up to the village entry carpark. These were forwarded to Brett Harries for comment. Will be meeting with him shortly to discuss. Gilbert and John working on this.

John is arranging a meeting with DoC representatives to discuss visitor numbers and other matters relating to the Cathedral Cove carpark.

Peter and Karen are working with the Business Association to prepare a tear off information slip to give to visitors. The Business Association do this each year but we would like to incorporate more information on walkways and other information that tourists require.

Peter and Karen will talk to the concession holders to encourage them to have their clients park at the village entry carpark.

Gilbert is working on Freedom Camping issues. Will meet shortly with Grant from the motor camp as he has some ideas on this matter and also thoughts on managing street parking around Hahei during the busy months. Gilbert also had 45 min conversation with the enforcement officer from Queenstown Lakes District Council re Freedom Camping issues in that region.

Meeting held Friday 26 May with Allan Tiplady and Sue Costello (TCDC), Grant Kilby (Hahei motor camp), Karen Blair, Brian Kuecke, Gilbert & Christine Bannan attended. Discussed walkway from Kotare carpark entrance on Pa Road through the reserve, behind the camp ground, over Wigmore stream and through to the beach. TCDC on board with this subject to funding (of course!). Also looked at all the walkways through Kotare reserve. Discussed signage, tidying up and ongoing maintenance. Signage to be sorted in coming months. The first part of the walkway from Beach Road has drainage issue when wet. A number of years ago the Reserves Group put in drainage around that area but was subsequently damaged when a house was moved on to a Pa Road property. TCDC to look at this so it will be dry for walkers.

Priority for TCDC is improving walkway from Tutaritari Reserve to top of Grange Road.