



HASTINGS COUNCIL
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WAUCHOPE CBD MASTER PLAN REVISED DRAFT
ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

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Hastings Council has received and processed more than 500 responses regarding the Draft Wauchope CBD Master. The revised plan, which is now back on public exhibition, addresses many of the issues raised by the community.

One of the key changes to the revised Plan is that the option of using Waugh and Young streets as a northern deviation is no longer being considered. Having considered all the traffic safety and residential amenity issues raised in the submissions, the deviation using Blackbutt and Cameron streets has been retained as the only feasible and affordable option to deviate traffic from the main street of Wauchope.

Hastings Mayor Rob Drew believes the revised plan will assist in creating a successful, modern shopping precinct in the Wauchope CBD.

“A key element in increasing the long term appeal of the Wauchope CBD is to reduce the volume of through traffic. From all the submissions received the interpretation was that the majority of people want to ensure that the Wauchope CBD remains economically healthy, attractive and pedestrian orientated in order to be the commercial and civic heart of the community.

“The level of interest in this Plan and the number of responses received and dealt with in the development of the second draft really go to highlight the importance of Council’s community consultation practices,” said Mayor Drew.

The revised Draft Wauchope CBD Master Plan will be on public exhibition for a period of six weeks with copies of the plan available from all Council offices. Once the plan is adopted in principle by Council a funding strategy and works program will be prepared as part of the 2006/07 Hastings Council Management Plan.

Council will also consider the formation of a Wauchope CBD Master Plan Taskforce to assist with the implementation of the CBD Master Plan.

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