

# PRRA Meeting September 2022

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# Apologies

# Treasurers Report

Balance \$6502.72

Membership 188

# Chairmans Report

# For PRRA to succeed we need your help.



Consider joining the committee  
for 2022. Take on a area of  
interest.

We need a Treasurer.  
Come and talk to us.

# 1. UPDATE What have the commissioners meddled with

The Commissioners are in a desperate hurry to change the look and feel of Tauranga and will leave behind an enormous rate burden to pay the cost of their grandiose ideas. Every week there are new proposals to spend more money. Staffing numbers are exploding.

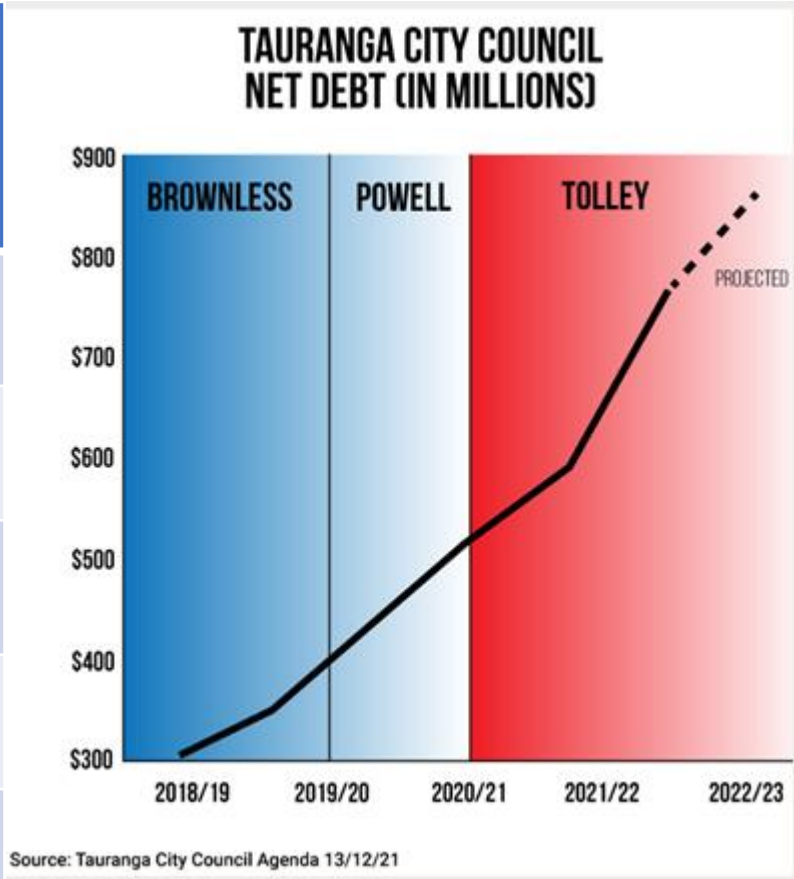
New downtown redevelopment - museum, library, meeting house, lots of paving, new wharf.	\$300 million and growing
Multi Use Arena in Tauranga Domain	\$185 million and growing
Coastal Access from Strand to Memorial Park. Removed 185 carparks in the Strand	\$85 million (est)
Still titivating Cameron Rd. Blowout in costs	Another \$ 25+ million
Pushing through unknown changes on the Greerton Racecourse land	
Agreed to long lease a new build Council Bldg downtown	In timber!!!
Sold Elderly Housing to Kainga Ora for half the valuation and now the commissioners have agreed to pay also for the upgrade of the housing.	Approx \$50 million



The Tauranga Waterfront plans include replacing the current carpark with green space. Image / Supplied



Changed the way of voting in Tauranga, from wards and at large wards to individual wards, contrary to public submissions. Remember the video of Commissioner Selwood submission to the Local Government Commission.	
Accepted the government's 3 Waters Plan without any true consultation with the public. Value = \$47million	Value of TCC water assets \$1.6 billion
Links Ave debacle --- ignored two petitions from the public. Now removing parking from Oceanbeach Rd.	Not solving the problem
Endless new investment plans and strategies. Did you know Willow St is to be closed? Bus station is to be moved.	
Too much is being announced. Almost impossible to keep up to speed with everything and understand the implications.	
Working with Priority One to implement a future plan for downtown Tauranga whereby car usage will be restricted and you must all catch a bus, walk or cycle or to use the new jargon – multi modal transportation.	
Papamoa East Interchange.	\$90 million
Allowed an anti-car approach on all traffic issues	



## LATEST for downtown Tauranga. Summary by Barry Scott.

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“TCC intends to sell the land under the new downtown civic redevelopment to a yet to be created CCO ( Council Controlled Organisation) for \$1 – ie make a gift of it, in other words - and then lease it back at a peppercorn rental.

The proposal says that the CCO would own the land and be jointly governed by the Council and the Otamataha Trust (OT). Creating a new CCO, which will be gifted a large block of downtown ( sold for \$1) and then leased back to the TCC. The city will lose control of this land.

TCCs’ proposal is an attempt to solve a problem that in the opinion of a large majority of Tauranga’s residents and ratepayers isn’t our city’s problem. The commissioners, are appointees of the Minister and central government, not elected representatives of the citizens of our city, and whilst they may be concerned to grant a form of compensation that will satisfy OT’s demands, they do not have the right to do that by giving away valuable Tauranga city assets - assets that belong to our residents and ratepayers, not central government. If the commissioners and central government see OT’s demands as being a serious problem that must be satisfied or made to go away, let central government do that from its own funds and resources. Don’t touch our city’s assets!”

## What the commissioners should be meddling with

Remove the clog points of our roading system – Turret Rd bridge, Maungatapu bridge. Hewletts Rd, reopen Links Ave, Greerton mess.	
Improve the traffic management of our roading network. Stop the anti-car attitude of the TCC Transport Section.	
Solved the downtown carpark building structural problem, not just sold the building and land.	\$30 million wasted
Build the cycleways Tauranga needs, not just talk about it.	
Architectural competition for downtown redevelopment, get a solution we will be proud of.	
Develop Tsunami escape routes, Improving public parks, community facilities. Commissioners are anti sirens regardless of the survey results.	
More community facilities -- halls, parks, amenities	
Consulting with the Ratepayers and putting coherent plans out for debate months ahead of the decision dates.	
Stop being Commissars.	

Glen Crowther from Sustainable BOP Trust recently shared his thoughts with us about Tauranga City Council's current approach to community engagement:

“If TCC wants to get better engagement with local people, it won't happen by rushing through strategies and plans without time to consult properly, and then imposing the results on residents.

The best and most cost-effective option is to collaborate with a wide range of community organisations, starting with resident groups and key city-wide networks, and steadily work things through, issue by issue, consultation by consultation, allowing at least one month for submissions and 10 minutes for each oral submission. ”

# Final Thoughts

Last thoughts from emails I received today

“Councils now tell us they know what we need and want. And that they know better than the community. And really, basically, local democracy is a waste of time. The wrong people participate.”

“Consultation is window dressing for decisions already taken. Engagement is another process but it means elected officials and unelected bureaucrats prepared to hear, see, believe and respect the people they govern.”



## Local Body Elections

Voting finishes 8 Oct 2022 but not for Tauranga residents. We have no vote this term. However please vote in the Bay of Plenty Regional Council elections.

Next Tauranga City elections are scheduled for July 2024. Nearly 5 years of Commissioner rule.

# Tsunami/ All Hazard Sirens

I have been talking to a group on the Coromandel Peninsula that are working towards having our Tsunami Sirens re-instated with new technology sirens which we have added the phrase “ All Hazards” to the nomenclature.

So, Tsunami Sirens/All Hazards Sirens.

More information at the next meeting



Sometimes there may be another way of doing things....





Next Month

Open Forum - your chance to tell us what is on your mind. 3 mins slots.



Thankyou

A very warm welcome to our guest speaker,

Sergeant Perry  
Head of Police  
Papamoa

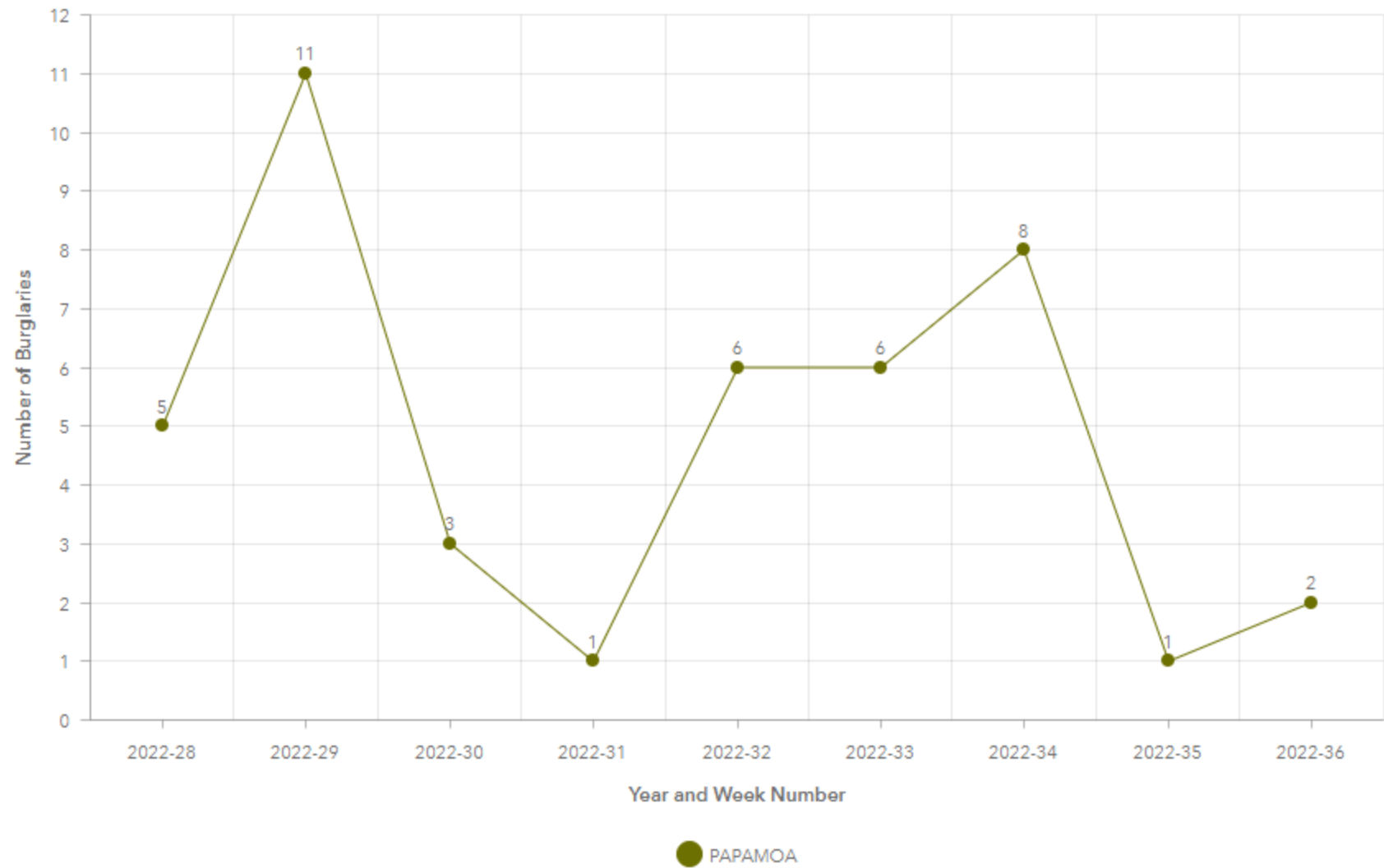
# Papamoa Policing 2022

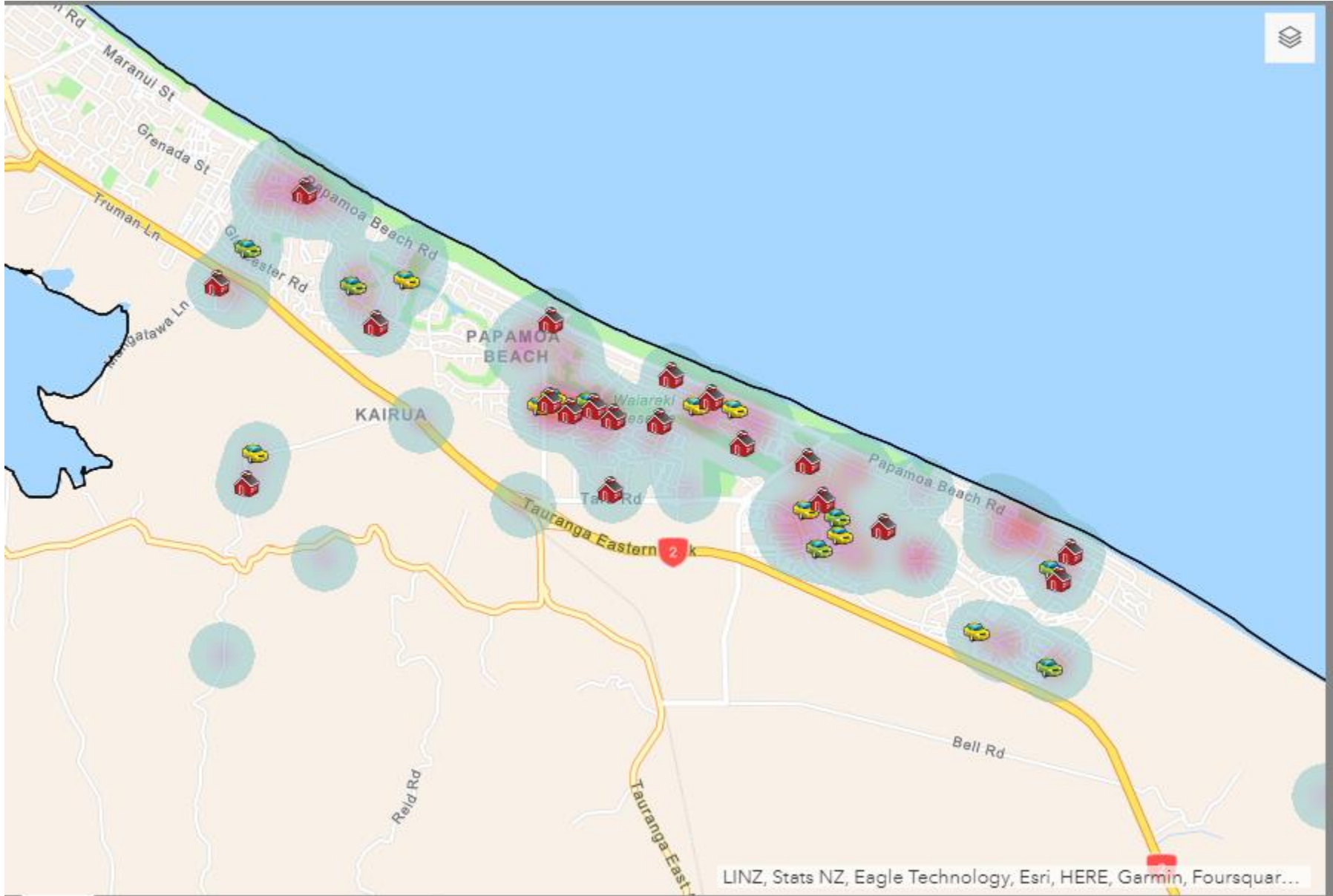


## PAPAMOA

Offences usually reported to Police	Previous YTD	Current YTD
Abduction/Harassment	30	44
Assaults - Dwelling	25	25
Assaults - Other	33	37
Assaults - Public Place	5	10
Burglary - Dwelling	27	37
Burglary - Non Dwelling	34	64
Fraud	19	55
Other Crime	44	46
Property Damage	10	6
Robbery	1	
Sexual Offences	5	14
Theft ex car	8	17
Theft ex shop	26	60
Theft - Other	17	49
ULT Attempted M/V	3	12
Unlawful taking M/V	6	18
Wilful Damage	34	32

## Burglary Trend Over Last 2 Months (Based on Start Date of Occurrence)





# Questions

Please ask for the roving microphone and then ask your question

Raffle Results

Next Meeting Monday 10 October 2002