

# Calm Alarmist Law Madness

Adaptation Zones could cost YOUR home !

## URGENT COMMUNITY MEETING

**TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MAY at 7.00pm**

Southwards Theatre, 250 Otaihanga Road

**Come to our community meeting to hear how we can unite  
and save our homes and community**

*(koha at door appreciated if able)*

Kapiti Coast District Council meets in June to vote on the Coastal Advisory Panel (CAP) recommendations on sea level rise which could imminently result in insurance premium price hikes, withdrawal of insurance and mortgages, and loss in home value

**IF WE UNITE, WE CAN STOP THIS MADNESS –  
LET'S ALL SAY NO!**

CALM, a local advocacy group made up of Kapiti residents and business owners have genuine concerns about the Coastal Adaptation Area (CAA) process led by CAP. Our concerns increased after the release of **CAP's Pathways Costings<sup>(1)</sup>** - see *The Post front page on 20 April<sup>(2)</sup>*

**WE ASK - HOW CAN OUR COMMUNITY AFFORD THIS? \$1-3 BILLION**

- Is anyone asking, **including our elected Members**, how our ratepayers can afford to pay for CAP's pathways costings? The figure is in excess of \$1- 3 Billion
- If KCDC adopts CAP's recommendations, based on extreme modelling, Kapiti could become uneconomical to live in
- The Council /CAP appear to be working against the best interests of the community, based on uncertain hypothetical climate modelling

(1) <https://haveyoursay.kapiticoast.govt.nz/coastal>

(2) <https://www.thepost.co.nz/nz-news/350251451/costs-kapiti-coastal-adaptation-getting-clearerer>

## NO CAA's ARE NEEDED AND THESE COSTS ARE AVOIDABLE

- CAP insists on using extreme science that even the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) does not support
- By not following the IPCC's guidelines and cherry-picking extreme scenarios, CAP is now imposing extreme costs on the community!
- Their science and pathway costings defy logic and common sense

### THE PROBLEM:

- CAP is considering using the inability to gain insurance, as a *signal* for managed retreat
- This will create an imminent threat to your property in a devastating cycle that no one takes responsibility for

### This is how this Devastating Cycle of Managed Retreat could unfold

- CAP have claimed that they take NO responsibility for Council decisions, since they relied on consultants and “expert” input
- The council can claim NO responsibility for any decision to adopt the costly pathways since CAP recommended these
- CAP/Council have created an environment in which insurance companies can legitimately withdraw, *signalling* to Council your property has now been designated for managed retreat

### THE SOLUTION:

The Council is using ratepayer funds to damage its own community. The expenses so far have exceeded \$4 million, on hiring consultants and bureaucrats, just for the beginning of this process. This gravy train is projected to continue for years to come. Add in the \$6m on the failed Gateway Project, and we have spent over \$10m with no actual benefit – *when is enough, enough?*

**The solution to this fiasco clearly involves a new council and mayor being elected in the 2025 local election.**

UNLESS, our elected members are prepared to take a stand against this for their constituents. **Council was under no statutory obligation to form CAP – they chose to do so – hold them to account for this costly decision!!**

**Ask your councillors to be brave and to vote for common sense.**

**Just like the Gateway Project insist they STOP this madness NOW!**