



# **APPENDICES MINUTES**

**Paraparaumu Community Board  
Meeting**

**Tuesday, 10 September 2024**



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**Drainage Issues at Lake View Court**

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I have come today to appeal to you, our elected representatives, because the I and the other four resident households of Lake View Court believe we have been let down by inadequate provision for rain and storm water in the original resource consent for our cross-lease development.

**1. A private road being treated the public as a public road**

Lake View Court is on the Northern side of Kapiti Road, opposite Lodestar Place. The entrance resembles a two-lane public road. Many of the private roads I have seen around Paraparaumu are basically single-lane driveways, but Lake View Court has two generous lanes at the entrance, emphasised with white 'give way' lines and a faded give way symbol painted on the exit lane that has been there at least since I arrived in 2020.

The white lines marking Kapiti Road lanes, including parking lines that curve well around the corners on both sides of our street, have all been repainted, but the give-way symbol has not – this may indicate that Council staff (who earlier this year carried out minor repairs on the road) have now recognised that Lake View Court is not a public road.

But unknown members of the public have no such concern and continue to regularly drive in to use our road as a convenient turn around, "slinging a uey" to use the slang for a three-point turn... it is not easy to turn on Kapiti Road...then they accelerate out, with the consequent continuing erosion of our road.

Some come in and park on the left while they look at the lake, read their maps, talk on the phone etc, before they too, drive in a bit further to make a u turn and drive off.

We have also had to ask Police not to park there for their traffic work.

Around two weeks ago, Council responded to a resident's request and put an ineffectual sign under our street name on Kapiti Road that says **Pvt Rd, no exit**. This notice is so small that Private is abbreviated to Pvt. I had to cross the road to read it – motorists travelling towards the beach would be unlikely to have time to focus on the small print before they were past it. It's a bit easier from the other side of the road.

Meanwhile, members of the public keep using our road (which was basically built to function as a driveway) as a public road, subjecting it to a great deal of extra wear and tear.

**2. Fundamental drainage issue**

The plans for this cross-lease development, including stormwater drainage, were approved by Council.

Council officers have advised us that the system was approved to have kerb adaptors convey roof runoff from houses on higher ground into a gutter alongside our road, and onto our road for drainage to the lake. So, water is guided onto the road, but there is no channel to get it across and back into the gutter, and then into the drain.

We believe we have been failed by the arrangement to intentionally deliver a flow of water on to the widest section of our road every time it rains, which often creates a fast-flowing stream. The potholes already formed are left full of water which then sits for a day or so until it evaporates. And, the road gets weaker.

We do not understand why that drainage arrangement was considered adequate and signed off. Why was creating a flow of water over the road considered acceptable water management?

















