

Q16: Any concessions proposed to operate from Kuaotunu beaches, reserves etc, or eco-tourism ventures to NOT be approved without prior consultation with, and approval of, the community

Agree in so far as concessions should also only be granted to residents of the community.

Such concessions are already controlled by local body rules. If we want people to come and enjoy Kuaotunu then such things will be necessary

We have a council that allows a small number of concessions. They are well managed and work well. These add vitality and choice to the place and add to the small seaside town flavour in the summer.

Not a bad idea, should however not lead to decisions that are not based on objective criteria.

Absolutely. It is unpleasant sitting at the Black Jack reserve on a beautiful evening in summer listening to a generator

This is what we elect our Council and Community Board members for - Consultation is not going to gain universal support for or against, so there are always going to be aggrieved parties - Council should advertise it's intention to offer concessions, and ask for public input, but not giving an implied power of veto.

Need to be careful that personal and strong interests held by community groups don't impact on justifiable development.

We can take more ownership as a community of the temporary or permanent commercial enterprises which might impact in aesthetics including rubbish removal

Agree, but do not want insuperable hurdles put in front of say wedding parties.

KRRRA should be consulted.

Extremely important for the preservation of the village

No motorised concessions on Kuaotunu Reserves or beaches

What --- are you suggesting that Council wouldn't use good sense and consult with the community? Perhaps the issue is more that we should get a Kuaotunu trusted representative on Council or the Community Board and ensure that all concessions are viewed by that rep. Either that or KRRRA must see all applications - but the idea of a community meeting to approve each application is The community needs to give KRRRA more clout. And then elect members the community trusts to make the right decisions.

How would it work, Majority vote of the community board or Rate payers?

100%

A need for a recognised (legal) qualification to operate eco-tours

Doesn't this already happen

Consultation is fine. However, the community should not have the power to make decisions on this.

This needs to be explained further. Is this beyond existing rules and regulations? How would one consult with and seek approval of the community?

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The community must be get some benefits from such ventures. I see first-hand what happens in Glenorchy where many operators pass through on a daily basis and give back nothing to the community. Their clients add nothing either as often lunches/food is provided as part of the trip and all that is left is an overloaded Public Toilet facility which the ratepayers pay for.

The tcdc.doc.and iwi already have control over any concessions

If we want facilities, we need more people spending money here. Eco Tourism done well brings in massive amounts of money. So yes it needs approval, but not via a local group of are largely opposed.

Concession if its a locally owned/operated venture

That makes sense. But who is the community?

or better still do not countenance any of those activities.We need our beach to be safe and peaceful, a place where people can revitalise without disturbing noise.

i have to think about this one.....not quite sure what you mean. i guess, the event will need permission from the counsel and if it needs kuaotunus ok as well.....we will never going anywhere.

Keeping everything that operates out of Kuaotunu low impact to the environment but to also encourage economical development for local livelihoods.

Very important to have the voice of the Community

Important in order to preserve the unique nature of Kuaotunu and its beach front. Whilst expansion & development may be seen as inevitable, Kuaotunu must not follow other beauty spots in the world that prioritise tourism to the detriment of the local community and its environment.

The community must have a say in this as it will affect all of us.

And affected and interested parties, e.g. Forest & Bird, property owners, etc

This depends on the scale of the concession.

A maximum of 2 concessions at Kuaotunu, preferably given to local businesses that reflect our Community Plan (eg no jetski launching/tours)

I feel everyone should be given the choice to have there say on these matters especially if you live close or on reserves .

Yeah I'd like to have a say if what comes here as should all the residents

A friend is currently trying to get consent for a juice caravan. Dealing with the council has been close to impossible. I would actually encourage new ventures provided it is in line with the KTown vibe.
