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11	Maria Howe
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13	Cherilyn Paenga
14	Joy Butler
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16	Dylan Tai
17	Cheryl Joblin
18	Toni Kiri-Collier
19	Shaniah Semmens
20	Tony Hatton
21	Glenda Maria Lawrance
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23	Anita Julie Kurei-Paruru
24	Lorraine Mahaki
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26	Atkins Warren
27	Ngaio Paruru
28	Jodi
29	Keyarah Warren
30	Jason Kurei
31	Deborah Hitakahiwai
32	Steven Hitakahiwai
33	Jamie Hitakahiwai
34	Maryanne Kingi
35	Judith Mihaere
36	Taylor Hitakahiwai
37	Turuhira Kurei
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39	Tuihana Raharuhi
40	Charlie Paruru
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43	Miriam steadman
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45	Michelle Lee
46	Bonnie
47	Marchelle Williams
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49	Tawa Kingi
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52	Terra Onekawa
53	Anau Apanui
54	Sandee Ligavatu
55	Shannon Pene
56	David Tuari
57	Joneta Tai
58	Steven iraiia
59	Pauline Tai
60	Awatea Pickard
61	Clarke Koopu
62	Samantha Rosenthal
63	Michael Maxwell
64	Te Pirini Gage
65	Kahu Gilmer
66	Miriama Kurei
67	Rocky Kurei
68	Tahlia Williams
69	Mere Hata-Huata
70	Herawana Teddy
71	Peter Archer
72	Paul Clay
73	Reina Tai
74	Hoana-May Tai
75	Genevieve Pupuke
76	Shanelle
77	Char Gage
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80	Jacinta Kahika
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83	Bradley Walker
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88	Florence Kurei
89	Beverley Pollard
90	Wilson Whanau
91	Jo Koko
92	Helen Colvin
93	William Edwards
94	Boycie Shelford
95	Nicole Clarke
96	Kim Webby
97	Wade Carter
98	Kim Douglas
99	Chris Hopman
100	Vic Carter
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CONSOLIDATED BYLAWS – PART 8 ANIMAL CONTROL – HEARING PANEL RESPONSES TO SUBMITTERS

TOPIC NUMBER	TOPIC	QUESTION/DECISION REQUESTED	APPLIES TO SUBMISSION/S	SUGGESTED RESPONSE
1	Horses should not be removed from [Ōpōtiki] township	Opposes the bylaw as [horses] have been here since the town was built.	1	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township. Any horses kept in the township must be on council's register.
2	Damage caused by horses	Supports the bylaw as horses cause damage to grass verges and lawns in [Ōpōtiki] township.	2, 90, 97, 100, 102	Thank you for your submission. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township. Any horses kept in the township must be on council's register.
3	Traffic safety concerns	Supports the bylaw because horses are a danger to traffic.	2, 56, 90, 92, 97	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that the increased number of roaming horses in the township has effects on the health and safety of the public at large. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township. Any horses kept in the township must be on council's register.
4	Roaming horses	Supports the bylaw as [horses] should not be wandering Ōpōtiki township.	3, 100	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township. Any horses kept in the township must be on council's register.

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5	Ongoing cost to rate payers	Supports the bylaw due to the ongoing cost to rate payers through damage to fences on council land.	3, 100, 102, 105	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges the damage that roaming horses cause to property. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, as long as they are kept securely in fenced paddocks. They must also be listed on council's horse register to be permitted in the township.
6	Responsible horse owners	Opposes the bylaw on behalf of the responsible horse owners.	4	Thank you for your submission.
7	Opportunity for tamariki	Opposes the bylaw as they want [their] children to be able to ride horses in the future.	5, 6, 8	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture in Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Horses can be ridden at any time in the township (excluding Church Street and Moody Place), as long as they remain under the effective control of the rider.
8	Transfer of issue	Opposes the bylaw because it creates another issue on the outskirts of the [Ōpōtiki] township.	6	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Any horses kept in the township must be on the council register.
9	Positive effects of animals	Opposes the bylaw because [horses] have positive effects on people.	7, 10	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Horses can be ridden at any time in the township (excluding Church Street and Moody Place), as long as they remain under effective control of the rider.
10	Council to find a solution for horses in township	Opposes the bylaw because it does not present a solution to deal with the issues caused by horses.	7, 11, 13, 15, 22, 27, 36, 81	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township, but the increased number of roaming horses cause health and safety issues to the public at large. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township as long as they are kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Horse owners will be required to ensure that horses always have adequate welfare provisions. Council will also maintain a register of horses kept in the township, and horse owners are required to ensure that their horse/s are listed on the register.

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11	Council to work with responsible horse owners	Opposes the bylaw because it does not encourage Council working with responsible horse-owners.	7, 19, 34, 40, 41, 44, 50, 58, 65, 67, 74, 96, 101	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council wants to work alongside the horse community and the responsible horse owners but are also aware that the increased number of roaming horses in the township have effects on the health and safety to the public at large. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, as long as they are kept securely in fenced paddocks. Council will also maintain the register of horses kept in the township and will look to the horse community and responsible horse owners to ensure that the register is kept accurate and up to date.
12	Penalties for irresponsible horse-owners	Opposes the bylaw because it is not fair to responsible horse-owners and should instead focus on irresponsible horse-owners.	8	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township on the condition that horse owners provide evidence to Council that demonstrates horses will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks, and always have adequate welfare provisions.
13	Horses are part of the culture of Ōpōtiki	Opposes the bylaw because keeping horses in the township is unique to the culture of Ōpōtiki.	8, 10, 12, 24, 31, 38, 41, 43, 45, 46, 47, 58, 61, 66, 76, 77, 78, 98, 99, 101	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledge that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township on the condition that horse owners provide evidence to council that they will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks with adequate welfare provisions. Council will maintain a register of horses and horse owners will be required to ensure that their horses are kept on the register. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
14	Leave the horses alone	Opposes the bylaw and states to leave the horses alone.	9	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners demonstrating that their horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks, and always have adequate welfare provisions.

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15	[Council] to support people to keep horses in a safe haven	Opposes the bylaw and notes that [Council] should support people in town to keep horses in a safe haven so [residents] know they are safe.	10	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners demonstrating that their horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks and horse owners always having adequate welfare provisions. Council will also look to work alongside the horse community and responsible horse owners to ensure that the horse register is kept up to date.
16	Employ staff to handle the issue of horses	Opposes the bylaw and suggests that Council perhaps employ someone to handle the issue with sympathy, rather than just seeing it as a nuisance.	11	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses are a unique part of the culture in Ōpōtiki township. Council resolved not to allocate funding toward additional animal control staff but will fund a de-sexing programme for colts to address the long-term goal of bringing down the number of roaming horses in the township.
17	Use Council-owned land for horses	Opposes the bylaw and suggests that Council offer council-owned land to horse whanau.	11	Council has banned horses from its reserves with the exception of existing lease agreements. Horse owners are permitted to keep horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria that horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks, and that horses always have adequate welfare provisions.
18	Horses are a part of life in Ōpōtiki	Opposes the bylaw because horses are a part of life in Ōpōtiki.	12, 24, 77, 79, 82, 91	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledge that horses form a unique part of the culture in Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners demonstrating that horses will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Horses must always have adequate welfare provisions and must be on council's horse register. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
19	Bylaw is an excessive act	Opposes the bylaw as it is an excessive act for a minority [who do not take care of their horses].	13, 101	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in town, subject to horse owners demonstrating that horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks; be on the council horse register and always have adequate welfare provisions.

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20	Person/s need to stop letting horses out on purpose	Opposes the bylaw and states that it is for people to stop letting horses out on purpose.	14	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners demonstrating that horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks. Horses must be on the council register and must always have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
21	Person/s need to stop cutting chains and padlocks	Opposes the bylaw and states that it is for people to stop cutting padlocks/chains.	14	The Council will continue to maintain its register of horses and will look to the responsible horse owners for their assistance in keeping the horse register up to date, and that horses in the township are kept securely in fenced paddocks.
22	Solutions required that support horses alongside welfare and safety	Opposes the bylaw and states that there are solutions to support horses alongside managing welfare and safety.	15	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria. Council will also fund a de-sexing programme for colts to address the longer-term goal of bringing down the number of roaming horses in the township.
23	Horses have been on [the] whenua for a long time	Opposes the bylaw because horses have been on [the] whenua for a long time.	16, 59	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria.
24	Responsible ownership of horses required	Opposes the bylaw and states that it is people that make horses a danger to others.	16	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria.
25	Bylaw is short-sighted and divisive	Opposes the bylaw and views it as favouring the views, opinions and needs of wealthier residents and/or non-resident ratepayers.	17	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria for horse keeping which include horses being kept securely in fenced paddocks; ensuring their horses are on the council register, and that horses always have adequate welfare provisions.

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26	Investigate damage to property	Opposes the bylaw and suggests an investigation into the deliberate fence and gate cutting.	17	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township and will maintain its register of horses kept in the township. Council acknowledges that the damage caused to property is an issue and requires that horse owners demonstrate to council that their horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks.
27	The whole of Ōpōtiki ought to be represented	Opposes the bylaw and states that decisions need to be made that represent the needs of all constituents [council] represents.	17	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria.
28	Horses are a part of [the] community	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses are part of [the] community.	18, 27, 40, 44, 50, 62, 65, 68, 69, 70, 72, 76	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township provided that horse owners demonstrate their horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks. Horses must be on the council register and must always have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
29	Horses create memories in children and grandchildren's upbringing	Opposes the bylaw because horses in town are a big part of the upbringing for youth in Ōpōtiki town.	18, 24, 27, 73	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horse owners demonstrate that their horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks; be on the council horse register and always have adequate welfare provisions.
30	Suggests a partial ban of horse-keeping	Opposes the bylaw and suggests a different solution such as banning horses from the main street.	18	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria. The Consolidated Bylaws already prohibit the keeping and riding of horses in Church Street and Moody Place.
31	Horse-owners should be in charge of sorting loose horses	Opposes the bylaw and suggests that horse-owners should be in charge of sorting loose horses [rather than impounding them].	19	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria.

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32	Welfare of horses	Supports the bylaw and states that horses should be kept in an appropriate environment with adequate food and water provided.	20, 84, 92, 100, 102	Thank you for your submission. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria including ensuring horses are kept
33	Keeping of horses	Supports the bylaw and states that suburban town houses or local parks and council-owned properties are not adequate [for keeping horses].	20, 102	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners providing to Council evidence that their horse/s will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks; be on the council horse register and always have adequate welfare provisions.
34	Consultation and discussion with horse owners is required	Opposes the bylaw and states that consultation and discussions with all horse-owners is what is needed.	21	Following the consultation period of approximately two months, Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township subject to horse owners providing evidence to Council that their horses will be kept securely, in a fence paddock. Council has also resolved to agree to fund a de-sexing programme to address the longer-term goal of bringing down roaming horse numbers in the township.
35	Cats cause more issue than horses	Opposes the bylaw and states that [they] rather have horses in town than cats which roam and cause nuisance.	22	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
36	Council should appoint a kaupoai (kaitiaki) to work with the horse whanau	Opposes the bylaw and suggests that Council appoint a kaupoai (kaitiaki) who knows [the] horse whanau to listen to them, works collaboratively and strategise to find solutions, provide support, report back to the Council monthly.	23	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria. Council resolved not to allocate funding toward additional animal-control staffing but will fund a de-sexing programme to address the longer-term goal of bringing down the number of roaming horses.

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37	Banning horses from the township is not the solution to this problem	Opposes the bylaw and states that banning horses from the township is not the solution to the problem.	25, 85	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
38	Community horse groups can find a solution	Opposes the bylaw and notes that the community horse groups can come together to help find a solution that does not end in banning horses in [the] community.	25, 78	Following the consultation process, Council has agreed to fund a de-sexing programme to address the longer-term goal of bringing down the number of roaming horses. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
39	Horses are a passion for people (and locals)	Opposes the bylaw and notes that horses are a passion [of the submitter] and are for many locals.	25, 77	Council acknowledges that horses form part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
40	Ko ahau te hoiho ko nga hoiho kei a matou (translation: I am a horse person and am supporting the horses)	Opposes the bylaw and notes [they] te hoiho ko nga hoiho kei a matou.	26	Thank you for your submission.
41	Dogs are a more unsafe and worse animal	Opposes the bylaw and states that roaming dogs are much worse, unsafe and make more mess [than horses].	27	Council has resolved to permit keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meetings criteria.

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42	Horses can be used for learning and development education	Opposes the bylaw and suggests opening a school where horses can be used for learning and development education for our tamariki with autism/those that want to learn.	27	Thank you for your submission.
43	Not needed right now	Opposes the bylaw and states that [they] don't think this is needed right now.	28	Thank you for your submission. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
44	Don't take horses away from [the submitter]	Opposes the bylaw and states that [they] love [their] horses and to not take them away.	29	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
45	Horses are an indelible feature of Ōpōtiki town	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses are an indelible feature of the town; they form part of a culture that is significantly recognisable local and nationally.	30	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses within the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
46	Victim of an agency with power removing [their] culture using legal avenues and legislation	Opposes the bylaw and states that [they] are a victim of an agency with power removing their culture using legal avenues and legislation; taking horses away is removing [their] culture from [them].	30	Thank you for your submission. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
47	Council should celebrate and make the image of horses in town work for the town's advantage	Opposes the bylaw and states that the council should be celebrating that horses are in town as it is a great advertisement for Ōpōtiki.	31	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria for horse keeping including ensuring horses are kept in fenced paddocks and that horses always have adequate welfare provisions.

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48	Horses make Ōpōtiki a quaint place for people to remember and visit	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses in town make it a quaint place for people to visit and remember.	32	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria for horse keeping including ensuring horses are kept in fenced paddocks and that horses always have adequate welfare provisions.
49	Reasonable costs associated with horses to stay	Opposes the bylaw and states that if there is a reasonable cost associated with ensuring horses can remain in the township then so be it.	32	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria as outlined in the bylaws. This includes ensuring that horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks, and that horses always have adequate welfare provisions. Horses must also be kept on the council horse register.
50	The horses in Ōpōtiki township are awesome	Opposes the bylaw and states that the horses in the township are awesome, and loves seeing them on their holidays to Ōpōtiki.	33, 36	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
51	Horses have been in [the] family since [their] grandparents' days.	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses have been in the family since their grandparents' days.	34	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
52	Ōpōtiki town was brought up with horses	Opposes the bylaw and states that Ōpōtiki town was brought up with horses.	34	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
53	Submits that horses should be able to stay in town and that any cost required is covered by both the council and horse owners, like they are with dogs.	Opposes the bylaws and seeks that both council and horse owners cover the cost of horses being in the township.	35	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township and will seek to fund a horse de-sexing programme.

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54	Likes seeing horses [in Ōpōtiki] up close and in everyday life	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses should stay because it's great to see them up close and in everyday life.	36	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledge that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township on the condition that horse owners provide evidence to council that they will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks.
55	Nō rāno ngā hoiho ki tēnei tāone, e kawea i ōu uri i tōu whānau ki tēnā ki tēnā o ngā wāhi. (Translation: the horses have been around since long ago; carrying your descendants, your family, from place to place to place)	Opposes the bylaw because horses have been in Ōpōtiki since long ago.	37, 54	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledge that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township on the condition that horse owners provide evidence to council that they will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks; horses are on the council register and that they always have adequate welfare provisions.
56	Mā wai rā e taurima? Waiho mā mātou ngā whānau eke hoiho e taurima. (Translation: who will host? Leave it to the horse riders to host)	Opposes the bylaw and seeks that horse owners are left to look after/keep the horses.	37	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township and will maintain its register of horses kept in the township. Council will look to the horse community to maintain the horse register to ensure that it is always up to date.
57	Horses as transport method	Opposes the bylaw because people use horses for transport method if they cannot use or do not have access to vehicles.	38, 83	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria.
58	Effect on community gatherings	Opposes the bylaw and questions the expectations of keeping horses in town when there are events on that require horses (e.g., rodeos).	38	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria.

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59	Horses used as therapy animals for those with disabilities	Opposes the bylaw and states that for people that use horses as therapy animals, immediate access to horses is required.	38	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners ensuring that their horses are kept securely, in fenced paddocks.
60	Rural identity	Opposes the bylaw and seeks that the rural identity of Ōpōtiki is kept.	39	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners ensuring that their horses are kept securely, in fenced paddocks.
61	Strong horse community in Ōpōtiki	Opposes the bylaw because there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki.	40, 41	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners ensuring that their horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks.
62	Horses have been in the iwi for generations	Opposes the bylaw because horses have been part of [people's] lives and in the iwi for generations.	40	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners ensuring that their horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks.
63	Restricts horse owners from their activities	Opposes the bylaw because it restricts horse owners from their activities that they have done for decades.	41	Horses are permitted to be ridden in the township (excluding along Church Street) as long as the horse is under the effective control of the rider at all times. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
64	Limiting future opportunities	Opposes the bylaw because not being able to keep horses in the township limits the future opportunities for rangatahi and youth.	41	Council acknowledges that there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horse owners keep their horses securely, in fenced paddocks.

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65	Extending the opportunity to the "horse community"	Opposes the bylaw and seeks that council extend the opportunity to the "horse community" to be involved in the solutions.	41	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township. Council staff will maintain a register of horses and horse owners will be encouraged to work alongside council to ensure the register is kept current.
66	Council should ask horse communities for their solutions	Opposes the bylaw and seeks that Council ask the horse community for their solutions on how the issue could be addressed (e.g., voluntary group of horse owners to monitor the streets).	41	Council acknowledges that there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki township and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township. Council staff will maintain a register of horses and horse owners will be encouraged to work alongside council to ensure the register is kept current.
67	Council should use this bylaw as an opportunity to educate	Opposes the bylaw and seeks that council use this as an opportunity to educate those who need educating and reminding on how to keep horses.	41, 87, 96	Council acknowledged that there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
68	Paddocks for horses	Opposes the bylaw and questions whether there is land that council has which horse owners could use, rather than banning horses from town.	42	Council has resolved to ban horses from its reserves (excluding existing lease agreements) but has permitted the keeping of horses in Ōpōtiki township. Horse owners will be required to demonstrate to Council horses will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks and provide adequate welfare for their horses. Horses must be registered on the council register. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
69	Majority of horse owners are responsible horse owners	Opposes the bylaw and states that the majority of those that own horses in Ōpōtiki are responsible horse owners.	43, 45, 55, 65, 66	Thank you for your submission. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks. Council will maintain a register of horses and will encourage responsible horse owners to provide information on their horses, to keep the register up to date.

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70	Considers the amendment a disgrace	Opposes the bylaw and states that the proposed amendment is a disgrace.	47	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
71	Ki te tautoko I a ta matou hoiho whanau (Translation: I am supporting the horse whanau)	Opposes the bylaw and states that they are supporting the horse family.	48, 73	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
72	Horses helped to build the town	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses helped to build the town, so they should not be banned.	49	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
73	Grew up around horses	Opposes the bylaw because [they] grew up around horses and doesn't want them taken away now.	51, 67	Council acknowledges that there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
74	Transport method	Opposes the bylaw because horses are an affordable transport option.	52	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
75	Supports horses in town	Opposes the bylaw and supports horses.	53	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.

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76	Partnership between council and the people of town	Opposes the bylaw and questions where the partnership between the council and the people of Ōpōtiki town.	54	Council acknowledges that there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki and has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township subject to responsible horse owners providing to Council evidence that their horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks, and ensuring horses always have adequate welfare provisions.
77	Roaming/loose horses	Supports the bylaw as horses that are roaming within the town limits are a hazard to the public.	56, 63	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township provided that horse owners provide to Council evidence that horses will be kept securely, in fenced paddocks. Roaming or tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
78	Rights of horses	Opposes the bylaw because horses have a right to the town as much as [people] do.	57, 59	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horse owners demonstrate that horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks and have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted.
79	Signage	Opposes the bylaw and suggests that signage with regard to horses should be put up (e.g., wandering stock signage).	58	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, and to maintain a register of horses kept in the township. Horse owners must provide to Council evidence that horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks and that horses will have adequate welfare provisions.
80	Use of council paddocks	Opposes the bylaw and states that they have paid lease fees to council for years without issue, and requests that the lease agreements continue.	60	Council resolved to ban horses from its reserves, apart from the lease agreements that are in place. Horses are permitted to be kept in the township provided that they are kept securely in fenced paddocks and have adequate welfare provisions. Horses must be kept on the council register.

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81	Identity of the town	Opposes the bylaw because horses have been a part of the unique character of Ōpōtiki for generations.	61, 98	Council acknowledge that horses form a unique part of the culture in Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
82	Care of horses in town	Supports the bylaw and suggests that the care of horses in town is why there is issue.	71	Council acknowledges that there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki township and want to work alongside responsible horse owners. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
83	Lack of consultation with tangata whenua	Opposes the bylaw because of the lack of consultation with tangata whenua.	75	Thank you for your submission. Following the consultation process, Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township subject to meeting criteria.
84	Keep horses	Opposes the bylaw and states to keep our horses.	80	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
85	Inconsistency with permitted animals	Supports the bylaw and notes that roosters and pigs are not permitted within the township and questions why horses are allowed.	84	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture in Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses within the township, subject to meeting criteria.
86	Stop banks	Opposes the bylaw and states that motorbikes and vehicles cause damage to the stop banks.	85	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to the horses being kept securely in fenced paddocks; having adequate welfare provisions and being on the council horse register.
87	Horses are a part of the soul of Ōpōtiki	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses are an integral part of the soul of Ōpōtiki.	86	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.

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88	Banning horses is detrimental	Opposes the bylaw and states that banning horses from the township would be detrimental to the special atmosphere of [Ōpōtiki].	86	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
89	Council to address procedures and consequences through the animal control act	Opposes the bylaw and suggests council use the animal control act to address procedures and consequences.	86	The legislation available to council through which it can control animals is the Dog Control Act 1996 and the Local Government Act 2002 through creating bylaws. The Animal Welfare Act 1999 places the responsibility of owning animals onto the animal owner. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
90	Horses owners unfairly targeted	Opposes the bylaw and states that horse owners have been unfairly targeted by the minority in the township.	88	Council acknowledges that there is a strong community of responsible horse owners in the Ōpōtiki township, and Council wants to work alongside the responsible horse owners. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria.
91	Does not agree with a general ban on horses	Opposes the bylaw and states that a general ban on keeping horses in town is not the way to address concerns caused by horses.	89	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to criteria. Roaming or tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
92	Survey of horses	Opposes the bylaw and states that a survey should be done to see how many horses reside in town, to see where they are kept, who owns them on a register.	89	Council acknowledges that there is a strong horse community in Ōpōtiki township and wants to work alongside the responsible horse owners. Council will be looking to the horse community to ensure that the council horse register is kept up to date. Horses are permitted to be kept in the township, subject to meeting criteria. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted.

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93	Supports the bylaw as proposed	Supports the proposed amendment to the bylaw for horses to be kept out of town, unless it is an organised event.	90, 95, 102, 105	Thank you for your submission. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to meeting criteria. Horse owners would be required to ensure that their horses are kept securely, in fenced paddocks; ensure that their horse/s are on the council register and ensure that their horse/s have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming or tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
94	Tourism attraction	Supports the bylaw and states that Ōpōtiki will not develop as a tourist attraction, or attract further business, with an uncivilised wild west persona.	92	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks; are on council's register and horse owners ensure that horses have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted in the township.
95	Privilege vs right of horse ownership	Supports the bylaw and states that horse ownership is a privilege, not a right.	92	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners meeting criteria.
96	Horses not a transport method	Supports the bylaw and states that horses are not the primary mode of transportation within the town.	92	Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture in Ōpōtiki township. Horses are permitted to be kept in the township, subject to horses being kept securely in fenced paddocks and ensuring there are always adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted.
97	Horses belong in rural areas	Supports the bylaw and states that horses belong in rural areas.	92	Council acknowledge that horses form a part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Horse owners will be permitted to keep their horses in town, provided that their horses are on the council horse register; are kept securely in fenced paddocks and have adequate welfare provisions.
98	Horses are a part of [Ōpōtiki] town	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses are a part of our town.	94	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in town, subject to meeting criteria.

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99	Horses should not be banned	Opposes the bylaw and states that horses should not be banned.	94	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in town, subject to meeting criteria.
100	Existing bylaws	Supports the bylaw and notes that Part 8.4.3.a of the existing bylaws suggests that it would prohibit horses from the township as stock already.	95	Thank you for your submission. Council has acknowledged that the increased number of roaming horses in the township has an effect on the health and safety of council staff and the public at large. Horses also form a unique part of the culture of the township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horses being kept securely in fenced paddocks; always having adequate welfare provisions and being on the council horse register.
101	Increase in people using motorbikes and cars	Opposes the bylaw and suggests that if horses are not kept in town, then there will be an increase in bored young people hooning about on dirt bikes, other motorbikes, and cars.	96	Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horse owners demonstrate that horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks and have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted.
102	Accessibility to horses	Opposes the bylaw and notes that banning horses from the township would deprive people, often from the less well-off families, from enjoying the pleasure of horse riding.	96	Thank you for your submission. Council have acknowledged that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Council have resolved to permit the keeping of horses in town subject to horse owners meeting certain criteria.
103	Council should not provide grazing land	Supports the bylaw and states that council should not provide land for horses to graze on.	97, 102	Council has resolved to ban horses from its reserves, with the exception of maintaining existing lease agreements for horse grazing. These will be reviewed as appropriate. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners ensuring their horses are on the council register, that horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks and that horses have adequate welfare provisions.

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104	Horses add an important social and cultural flavour	Opposes the bylaw because horses add an important social and cultural flavour to Ōpōtiki, and it would be a pity to lose that.	99	Council acknowledge that horses form a part of the culture of Ōpōtiki township. Horses are permitted to be kept in the township, provided that they are kept securely in fenced paddocks and have adequate welfare provisions.
105	Discharges into rivers	Supports the bylaws and notes that the waste generated by horses kept on the stop bank will discharge into the river.	102, 105	Council have resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, provided that horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks; be on council's horse register and always have adequate welfare provisions
106	Damage to stop banks	Supports the bylaw and notes that horses are causing damage to the stop banks by pugging and denuding it of the vegetation.	102, 104, 105	Council acknowledge that the increased number of roaming horses causes health and safety issues to council staff and the public at large. Horses also form a unique part of the culture of the township. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township provided that horses are kept on the council horse register; are kept securely in fenced paddocks and always have adequate welfare provisions.
107	Public safety	Supports the bylaw and notes that they do not consider the 'freedom' to graze horses in Ōpōtiki outweighs public safety.	102	Council acknowledge that the increased number of roaming horses causes health and safety issues to council staff and the public at large. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township provided that horses are kept on the council horse register; are kept securely in fenced paddocks and always have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted.
108	Solution to manage horses in township	Opposes the bylaw and has suggested a solution of engaging the local veterinarian to start a desexing programme for colts.	103	Thank you for your submission. Council appreciates the proactive approach of suggesting a solution to the increased number of roaming horses in the township. Council will seek to fund a de-sexing programme for colts next year as part of the Annual Plan. Before the Annual Plan, council will maintain its register of horses, and require that any horses in the township are kept securely, in fenced paddocks and always have adequate welfare provisions.

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109	Videos cameras to manage horses in township	Opposes the bylaw and has suggested installing a video camera to deter people from releasing their horses and from dumping rubbish on the stop banks.	103	Thank you for your submission. Council appreciates the proactive approach of suggesting solutions to address the issues that the increased number of roaming horses can cause. Council has resolved to fund a de-sexing programme for colts to bring down the number of roaming horses in the township over time. The suggestion of CCTV has been received and may be considered in the future. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners ensuring that their horses are kept on the register; that their horses are kept securely in fenced paddocks and that there are always adequate welfare provisions.
110	Alignment with regional bylaws	Supports the proposed amended bylaw as it aligns with Bay of Plenty Regional Council's Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaws 2020.	105	Thank you for your submission. Council looks forward to working in partnership with regional council in relation to the Waioeka-Otara River scheme. Council acknowledges that horses form a unique part of the culture of Ōpōtiki. Council has resolved to permit the keeping of horses in the township, subject to horse owners demonstrating to council that their horses will be kept securely in fenced paddocks; that their horses are on the council register and that horses always have adequate welfare provisions. Roaming and tethered horses are not permitted.