



Murupara Community Board Te Poari Hapori o Murupara

Monday, 20 May 2024 *Rāhina, 20 Haratua 2024*

Murupara Service Centre 48 Pine Drive, Murupara commencing at 10:00 am

Chief Executive: Steph O'Sullivan Publication Date: 15 May 2024

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A Membership - Mematanga

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Board Member M K McLean - Chairperson Board Member I M Prentice - Deputy Chairperson Board Member M Edwards Board Member S Jones Board Member A Silcock Councillor N Rangiaho One Vacancy in the Galatea Waiohau Subdivision.

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Section 52 of the Local Government Act 2002 details the role of a community board:

- a. represent, and act as an advocate for, the interests of its community; and
- b. consider and report on all matters referred to it by the territorial authority, or any matter of interest or concern to the community board; and
- c. maintain an overview of services provided by the territorial authority within the community; and
- d. prepare an annual submission to the territorial authority for expenditure within the community; and
- e. communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community; and
- f. undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the territorial authority.

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1 Apologies - Te hunga kāore i tae

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No apologies were recorded at the time of compiling the agenda.

2 Acknowledgements / Tributes - Ngā Mihimihi

An opportunity for members to recognise achievements, to notify of events, or to pay tribute to an occasion of importance.

3 Conflicts of Interest - *Ngākau kōnatunatu*

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected member and any private or other external interests they might have.

4 Public Participation - Wānanga Tūmatanui

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The Board has set aside time for members of the public to speak in the public forum at the commencement of each meeting. Each speaker during the forum may speak for three minutes. Permission of the Chairperson is required for any person wishing to speak during the public forum. Applicants seeking funding from the Board are encouraged to speak in support of their application at this time.

Board Members may ask questions of the speaker but these should be confined to obtaining further information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker.

4.1 Public Forum - Wānanga Tūmatanui

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With the permission of the Chairperson, Board Members may ask questions of speakers. Questions are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by a speaker.

4.2 Deputations - Ngā Whakapuaki Whaitake

A deputation enables a person, group or organisation to make a presentation to Community Board on a matter or matters covered by their terms of reference. Deputations should be approved by the Chairperson, or an official with delegated authority, five working days before the meeting. Deputations may be heard at the commencement of the meeting or at the time that the relevant agenda item is being considered. No more than two speakers can speak on behalf of an organisation's deputation. Speakers can speak for up to 5 minutes, or with the permission of the Chairperson, a longer timeframe may be allocated.

With the permission of the Chairperson, Elected members may ask questions of speakers. Questions are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the deputation.

5 Confirmation of Minutes - Te whakaaetanga o ngā meneti o te hui

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5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 8 April 2024

1	Details of Meeting:	MURUPARA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT MURUPARA, MONDAY, 8 APRIL 2024 COMMENCING AT 10:00 AM
WHAKATĀNE District Council Kia Whakatāne au i ahau	Present:	Board Members M K McLean (Chairperson), I Prentice, A Silcock, M Edmonds, S Jones, and Councillor N Rangiaho.
	In Attendance:	Councillor Iles, Kaumatua Tupe, V Richards (Strategic Coordinator), T Chapman (Māori Land Advisor), T Tupe (Iwi Engagement Advisor - Infrastructure) and S French (Senior Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	B Knapton (WDC Youth Council), J Cathro (Ministry of Inspiration), T Gavigan and M Ohlson (Te Ika Whenua Hauora Mental Health Education and Awareness), and H Merriman (Ruatahi Urupa)
	Apologies:	

Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting and Kaumatua Tupe opened the meeting with a karakia.

The Chairperson acknowledged previous member Ken Bannan's service to the community and also the support provided to the Board by their previous Governance Support Advisor C Tongariro.

1. APOLOGIES

Nil

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

Members acknowledged the support of, and the attendance at, the various Long Term Plan engagement sessions held within the rohe.

3. Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts of interest were noted.

5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 8 April 2024(Cont.)

4. Public Forum

4.1. Ministry of Inspiration

A Charitable Trust based in Rotorua and Nelson, the Ministry of Inspiration work across New Zealand. Ms Cathro said they are supporting Murupara schools to participate in the NZ Aquabots programme for students; where teams build an underwater remotely operated vehicle then compete in challenges. National competitions would be held at both Whakatāne and Rotorua.

Ms Cathro spoke of some logistics of the competition and reported that the judges would be local residents and being local made attendance to family and whānau easier. The Ministry of Inspiration were offering two Aquabot kits for the price on just one kit to help encourage participation.

In response to a question about funding, Ms Cathro answered they were waiting on the results of a recent application they had made but did note that the priorities of the Ministry of Education did not align with their work. An application had be made to the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board.

Chairperson McLean offered to collaborate with Ms Cathro in order for other local schools to be offered the same opportunity.

Attendance: J Cathro left the meeting at 10:21 am.

4.2. Te Ika Whenua Hauora Mental Health Education and Awareness

Ms Gavigan and Ms Ohlson spoke about their roles overseeing coordination for mental health education and awareness and that planning was underway for awareness week in September 2024. Ms Gavigan reported that lack of resourcing was their biggest issue. When asked about the level of support provided from the Ministry of Health, they advised they had access to source generic pamphlets online.

Board Members congratulated Ms Gavigan and Ms Ohlson that their fundraising had achieved 75% of the required costs.

Attendance: T Gavigan and M Ohlson left the meeting at 10:29 am.

4.3. Rangitahi Urupa

Halee Merriman and Theodore Anderson (Trustees)

Ms Merriman explained the current Trustees for the Rangitahi Urupa had been appointed early in 2024, as there had be no living Trustees for quite some time. The new, younger group of trustees were working through several issues that had not been dealt with over the years and the immediate issue was the removal of the large trees on the boundary. Ms Merriman noted the situation was potentially dangerous and spoke of liability factors, and hence this too made the resolution a priority.

In response to a question about other parties assisting, Ms Merriman responded that LINZ Property Group had been consulted and they would provide 50% of the costs. It was noted the trees would be felled onto the College land.

The Urupa was currently under the umbrella of the Rangitahi Marae. The Urupa did not have any funding however once the Trustees arrange for it to be its own entity, major funding applications would be made.

5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 8 April 2024(Cont.)

Attendance: H Merriman and T Anderson left the meeting at 10:38 am.

4.4. B Knapton – Youth Council

Ms Knapton introduced herself to members and reported that the newly formed Youth Council also had a current focus on the Long Term Plan and would be submitting. She added that several Whakatāne High School form classes would also be making a submission.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

Refer to pages 8--12 of the agenda.

Moved Member Silcock / Seconded Member Edmonds

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Murupara Community Board held on Monday, 12 February 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6. **REPORTS**

6.1. MCB By-Election Report

Refer to pages 13-15 of the agenda.

Moved Chairperson McLean / Seconded Member Silcock

RESOLVED:

- 1. THAT the Murupara By-Election and Deputy Chairperson report be received; and
- 2. **THAT** the **Board** confirm System B will be used to determine the election process for the position; and
- 3. **THAT** Board Member Prentice be appointed as Deputy Chairperson of the Murupara Community Board for the remainder of the 2022-2025 triennium.

CARRIED

6.2. Murupara Community Board Activity Report

Refer to pages 16-50 of the agenda.

During discussions the following points were noted:

- There had been good Elected Member representation at the Long Term Plan engagement events.
- Regarding the proposed Galatea Solar Farm proposal, it was requested the process be clarified as the owner was unaware this information would be included in the public agenda.

5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 8 April 2024(Cont.)

Moved Councillor Rangiaho / Seconded Member Jones

RESOLVED:

THAT the 'Murupara Community Board Activity – March 2024' report be received.

CARRIED

6.3. MCB Discretionary Funds – April 2024

Refer to pages 51-94 of the agenda.

Moved Councillor Rangiaho / Seconded Member Edmonds

RESOLVED:

- 1. THAT the MCB Funding Application April 2024 report be received; and
- 2. **THAT** \$320.00 be **allocated** from the Murupara Community Board Discretionary Fund to Te Ika Whenua Hauora Incorporated Society for TIWH Mental Health Education and Awareness to support travel costs and project materials.

CARRIED

The Board expressed strong support for the Aquabot programme to be extended to further schools in the district. Members acknowledged the existing workload of teachers are raised the potential issue of the resourcing of the programme.

The following motion was put and failed.

Moved Chairperson McLean / Seconded Member Prentice

THAT, subject to confirmation that the programme is to be resourced and run in the school by the Ministry of Inspiration staff, \$1000.00 be **allocated** from the Murupara Community Board Discretionary Fund to the Ministry of Inspiration for the NZ Aquabots project in the Murupara Community.

Moved Member Silcock / Chairperson McLean

RESOLVED:

THAT, subject to confirmation that the programme is resourced and run in the school by the Ministry of Inspiration staff, \$2000 be **allocated** from the Murupara Community Board Discretionary Fund to the Ministry of Inspiration for the NZ Aquabots project in the Murupara Community.

CARRIED

Board members acknowledged and understood the concerns raised by Ms Merriman within the Public Forum section. A discussion ensued regarding the ownership of the land, liability factors, setting precedence, and the Board noted the application did not align with the required criteria. Members believed more information, wider stakeholder engagement, and detailed project planning

5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 8 April 2024(Cont.)

information was required. A letter would be sent to Ms Merriman regarding the discussion held. After deliberation and noting sympathy to the cause, Members agreed there were too many unknowns and at this stage then declined any grant.

7. Councillor and Chairpersons Reports

7.1. Councillors Report

Councillor Rangiaho spoke of the significant Long Term Plan activities and engagement events held in the various communities and said the concerns raised did differ for each community. She concluded liaising and working together with Councillor Iles for the many events had been very successful.

The following requests were made:

- Council staff to report back regarding the ongoing issue of motorbikes on Council owned land.
- Remove the deteriorating 'supreme winner' flags from Murupara township.
- Clarification of the availability for the use of the Murupara Area School Hall.

7.2. Chairperson Report – April 2024

Refer to pages 95-97 of the agenda.

Chairperson McLean apologised and requested members overlook the comment made in regards of dealing with new pool staff.

Concerns were raised regarding unsafe behaviour of motorbike riders. On behalf of the Board, Chairperson McLean would write a letter to the NZ Police expressing dissatisfaction and bring this to their attention again.

Moved Councillor Rangiaho / Seconded Member Edmonds

RESOLVED:

THAT the Chairperson's Report – April 2024 report be received.

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA FROM KAUMATUA TUPE AT 12:02 PM.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:

CHAIRPERSON

Reports - Ngā Pūrongo

6 Reports - Ngā Pūrongo

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6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report

11-	To:	Murupara Community Board
	Date:	Monday, 20 May 2024
WHAKATĀNE District Council	Author:	T Chapman / Kaitohutohu Whenua Māori and V Richards / Strategic Coordinator – Community Planning
kia whakatane au i anau	Authoriser	N Woodley / Acting GM Development and Environment Services
	Reference:	A2662169

1. Reason for the report - *Te Take mo tenei ripoata*

This report provides the Community Board with an update on Council activities to the end of April 2024, and covers the following activities:

- Long Term Plan 2024-34
- Mīmiha Stream Bridge Replacement
- Murupara Renewal Programme
- Murupara Service Centre and Library
- Murupara Cell Tower
- Whakatāne District Youth Council
- Food Security
- Community Funding
- Road Safety Events
- All Facilities Usage
- New Bylaw Authority Management Plan
- Whakatāne District Plan
- Discretionary Funds and Reserve Balances

2. Recommendation - Tohutohu akiaki

THAT the Murupara Community Board Activity Report: May 2024 be received.

6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

3. Long Term Plan 2024-34

Consultation on Council's Long Term Plan 2024-34 has now closed with just under 1000 submissions received. Staff have undertaken analysis of the submissions received which has been provided to Elected Members along with copies of each submission. Council deliberations took place on 8 and 9 May 2024. Staff are now working on the final Long Term Plan document and budget which will be presented to Council for adoption in June 2024.

4. Mimiha Stream Bridge Replacement



- Peer review for the design of the new bridge is underway and the Geotech review was to be completed by 24 April 2024.
- Environmental controls have been installed.
- The earthworks for the approaches to the temporary bridge were delayed due to the inclement weather.

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6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

5. Murupara renewal programme



Work started on the Pine Drive and Oregon Drive, Murupara, watermains replacement in early April as part of the scheduled renewal programme. The pipe is usually installed via directional drilling and the renewal involves replacing old pipes and all the assets attached to it i.e. hydrants, valves and water connections.

Here's what the team is doing:

- Pine Drive Replacing the 150mm old pipe with 180mm PE (polyethylene) pipe from the corner of Main Street to the corner of Oregon Drive.
- Oregon Drive Replacing the old 150mm pipe with 180mm PE pipe from the corner of Ngaio Street to the corner of Rimu Rd.

WHAKATĀNE DISTRICT COUNCIL Murupara Community Board - AGENDA

6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

6. Murupara Service Centre and Library

Murupara school holiday activities





Murupara Library and Service Centre staff were victims of their own success in the school holidays and were totally inundated with tamariki keen to participate in some fantastic craft activities co-hosted with Te Ika Whenua Hauora ladies.

7. Murupara Cell Tower

Aotearoa Towers Group/ONE NZ are requesting that the Whakatāne District Council lease a site on Council land to ONE NZ to build a telecommunication tower and cabinet. The project would involve building a 20-25m pole with equipment cabinets at the base on a 6m x 8m area.

The site where they are looking to build is 16 Koromiko Street, between Main Road and the Town Centre. This land is owned by the Whakatāne District Council and is zoned for light industrial activities, however, is currently being used as a reserve.

8. Whakatāne District Youth Council

Youth Council submits to LTP

6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

The Whakatāne Youth Council made three submissions to Council's Long Term Plan. The submissions were on a range of topics that the young citizens are passionate about, from the Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub, to facilities for young people in Murupara and public transport. The submission process is part of a civics education focus for the group. They have also visited several of the community boards, assisted at community events and are planning projects and activities for the next few months and beyond, including Youth Week which begins on 20 May 2024. One of the events supported was the first ever Tamariki Foodie Fair. Youth Council members provided refreshments and keep cups for 250 tamariki in exchange for answering a few road safety questions.





The Youth Council led Road Safety stand.

9. Food security

Food security being discussed

A food mapping project is underway, with assistance from Council's Community Partnerships Team. This project aims to cast light on the various organisations that form the backbone of our community's food security network. Through identification of and engagement with these entities, the plan is to create working database and a report to guide coordination of the sector and drive improvements. Phase one of the mapping exercise began this month with focus groups and interviews with key players. The project will continue over the next few months.

10. Community Funding

10.1. Funding rounds complete

The first ever round of Reorua funding has just been completed. The fund is an initiative between Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Awa and Whakatāne District Council and is supported by Aotearoa Reorua. This is a national movement that supports towns and cities across New Zealand to become bilingual centres.

6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

The first funding round was timed so that projects could be supported in time for Matariki celebrations. The second round will be timed for the lead into Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori.

Round one of the Creative Community Scheme was also completed in early May through the Community Funding Committee. Future funding rounds will be promoted on Council's <u>website</u> and through various advertising.

10.2. Funding Workshops

"Get Your Funding Kit ready" workshops are being held in Murupara and Edgecumbe during May. The workshops, facilitated by Council's Community Funding Advisor, focus on being prepared for grant applications. They aim to provide community organisations and trusts sound advice and practical tools to deal with funding application forms, financial reporting, organisational storytelling – pretty much everything you need to know to successfully apply for funds from any funder, including Council-managed funds. The plan is to hold more funding workshops throughout the district over time.

11. Road Safety Events

Road Safety Events being analysed

Three Rangatahi Road Safety Events were held during April, one as a Whakatāne community event, the other two in Kawerau and Ōpōtiki High Schools, with a total of 463 young people taking part. The events were made possible through a co-design process led by Council's Community Safety Advisor, and delivered with community partners including Police, Toi EDA, Eastbay REAP, Youth Councils and multiple Iwi health and social service providers.

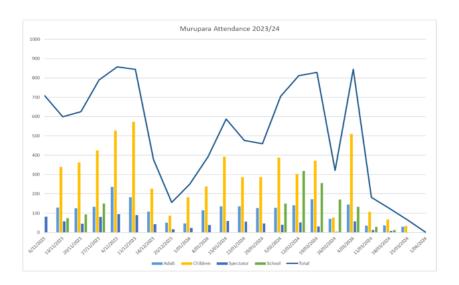
Following the events, an evaluation is now taking place. This will use feedback from participants and agencies in order to make recommendations to the Eastern Bay Road Safety Programme for improving future events and activities, particularly those focusing on our rural youth.

12. All Facilities Usage

Usage across all facilities have followed a similar pattern to our best year (2020/21). The team is continuing to push additional activities and continuing to maximise the Learn to Swim programme with pool space holding back any further growth.

We have seen an improvement in recruitment conditions for lifeguarding roles in Whakatāne with a greater selection of quality candidates to choose from.

6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)



12.1. Murupara Usage

Murupara saw a successful season, with attendance increasing by over 900 compared to the previous year. Recruitment still proved an issue this year with a good recruitment drive only bringing on board four out of the six required lifeguards needed for the season.

13. New Bylaw Authority Management Plan

A 'Bylaw Authority Management Plan for routine work within Whakatāne District Council Reserves' has been developed to alleviate the need for an individual Bylaw Authority application to be made to Bay of Plenty Regional Council for activities that are considered as 'minor works' within Bylaw applicable areas. We can now undertake the planting and removal of flowers, shrubs and trees as well as the earthworks for minor structures like signs, fences, benches etc. without the need of an individual application and the time this takes to process (in accordance with the Management Plan). BOPRC Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaws apply when undertaking earthworks within 40m of the Whakatāne stopbank and 200m of the Edgecumbe stopbank. Many of Council's reserves sit within the bylaw applicable area, requiring staff to apply for an individual Bylaw Authority for each instance that ground is disturbed in these areas. The Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaws are in place to (amongst other things) manage disturbance of ground that can lead to piping (where water finds 'paths' through stopbanks, removing fill and weakening their integrity).

14. The Whakatāne District Plan

Embracing the digital era with launch of ePlan



6.1 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

Navigating the intricacies of the Whakatāne District Plan will now become significantly easier with the introduction of our new ePlan tool. This transformative step has been prompted by the Ministry for the Environment's directive requiring all councils to adopt online interactive plans, aimed at standardising district plans nationwide.

The new ePlan platform has been designed to enhance user experience and offers access to information from the District Plan on any device. The ePlan allows users to pinpoint relevant information easily, with intuitive search functions and customisable filters, making it easier to do business with Council in the regulatory space.

While the structure has been rearranged in the new layout to meet the requirements of the National Planning Standards, the content of the District Plan has not changed. Furthermore, it's important to highlight that paper copies of the District Plan will no longer be available once the new tool goes live next week.

A comprehensive communication plan supports the rollout, ensuring key stakeholders and the public are informed about this significant change. However, we anticipate our regular users, such as surveyors, developers, real estate agents, designers, lawyers, and tradespeople, will appreciate the change. Additionally, the public will find this tool far more streamlined and user-friendly than what we've had before.

The new tool can be found at **whakatane.govt.nz/district-plan** and will be presented at the Environment, Energy and Resilience Committee meeting on 31 May 2024.

15. Discretionary Funds and Reserve Balances

15.1. Unallocated Grants and Subsidies (discretionary) fund

The 'Year to date' allocations are summarised below:

	Murupara Community Board			
	Unallocated Grants and Subsidies (Discretionary Fund) as at 30 April 2024 is \$8,075.39			
	Opening Balance carried forward from prior years			1,665.89
	2023/24 Annual Plan			16,161.00
	2023/24 Revised Budget of Grants and Subsidies to allocate			17,826.89
	2024 Allocations			
5-Jun	TE HAAHI O TE KOOTI RIKIRANGI WAIOHAU PEKA	2,750.00	Approved & paid	
21-Aug	TE ROPU WHAKAPAKARI WHANAU A ROHE	380.00	Approved & paid	
28-Nov	NOVEMBER 2023 KAUMATUA XMAS LUNCHEON GALATEA HAL	1,800.00	Approved & paid	
29-Nov	LIFE EDUCATION TRUST EBOP	1,300.00	Approved & paid	
1-Dec	NOVEMBER 2023 END OF YEAR BREAK UP, JAMIE N H DELAMERE	500.00	Approved & paid	
1-Dec	GARDEN FIESTA, MERE MCLEAN	500.00	Approved & paid	
7-Dec	WATERSPORTS 27 JANUARY 2024, TE IKA WHENUA HAUORA INC SOC	2,000.00	Approved & paid	
1-Feb	JESSICA M CARPENTER FOR NATIONAL CHILDS DAY EVENT AT MURUPARA POOLS	521.50	Approved & paid	
	Current unallocated Grants and Subsidies (Discretionary Fund)*		\$	9,751.50
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7 Chairperson and Sub-Committee Reports

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7.1 Councillors Report - May 2024

The Councillors report will be circulated to members once available and tabled at the meeting.

7.2 Chairperson's Report – May 2024

14	To:	Murupara Community Board
	Date:	Wednesday 3 May 2024
MURUPARA	Author:	M McLean / Board Chairperson
Community Board	Reference:	A2232649

1. **Reason for the report** - *Te Take mō tēnei pūrongo*

Karakia: Traditional Māori Chant (Opening)

Whakataka te hau ki te uru	Cease the winds from the west
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga	Cease the winds from the south
Kia mākinakina ki uta	Let the breeze blow over the land
Kia mātaratara ki tai	Let the breeze blow over the ocean
E hī ake ana te atakura	Let the red-tipped dawn come with a sharpened air
He tio, he huka, he hau hū	A touch of frost, a promise of a glorious day
Tīhei mauri ora!	The breath of life!

Tēnā koutou katoa.

Tuatahi ake, e tangi ana ki a rātou mā kua kore e kitea ki waenganui i a tātau, rātou e whakawhanake nei i o tātau hapori i o rātou wā, a Waiohau, Galatea, Murupara, Minginui, Te Whāiti me Ruatāhuna.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the passing of Tira Anderson, Ngahaka Christie, Philip Bradnock, Charlie Elia, Joe Hokianga, Maria Ingram, Manimani Te Are, Eddie De Theirry, David Kendrick Anderson, Ruth Melbourne, Jim Murphy, Charles Nelson, Waitangi Herewini (Te Kurapa), Miriama Marcia Hale (Miri), John Heurea, Andre Taitapanui-Iraia, Paretai Biddle as well as many others we acknowledge your contributions to our communities and send our condolences to the families left behind.

7.2 Chairperson's Report – May 2024(Cont.)

Recommendations - *Tohutohu akiaki*

1. **THAT** the MCB Chairperson's Report – May 2024, is received.

2. **Community Meeting – MCB** *Te hapori*

Members of the Community Board have been busy in preparation for a community meeting that is set to take place on Tuesday 28th May 2024 to help find solutions to the motorcycles and anti-social behaviors around vehicle use in our communities, especially Murupara.

The NZ Police have been invited to this public meeting they join key community representatives from our local iwi and emergency services.

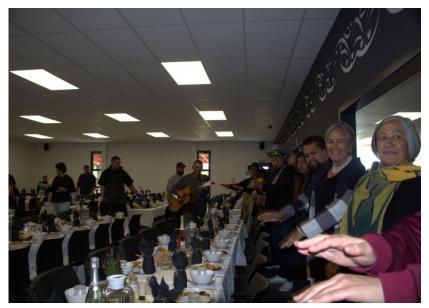


3. Community Engagement – *Te kōrero tahi me te hapori*

Acknowledgment to our Mayor Victor Luca, Māori councillor for the Toi Ki Uta ward Ngapera Rangiaho, and members of our Whakatāne District Staff who attended the rededication of Kuranui (dinner hall) of Rangitahi Marae in April.

Extensive work began last year the Marae received over 1 million dollars to upgrade their whare kai (dinner hall)





4. By-Election: Galatea/ Waiōhau, Upgrades and acknowledgments

We have two nominations in the by-election for the Galatea/Waiōhau ward of the Murupara Community Board. They include Wayne Ranui and Weku Kereopa. Voting documents were sent out on Tuesday 14 May and on Wednesday 5 June voting will close. You can drop off your voting documents at the Murupara Library and Service Centre or if you are in Whakatāne at our customer service centre at the main office.

It's good to see upgrades being done to the footpaths and the infrastructure around Murupara.

There is a push to get our stories out into our communities we are encouraging our members to sign up to our online newsletter.

7.2 Chairperson's Report – May 2024(Cont.)



https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/about-council/news/newsletters

I would also like to acknowledge and wish Steph O'Sullivan, Chief Executive all the best in her new role as Chief Executive at Waipā District Council she will be leaving her role in mid-July.

As some of you will know, she hails from South Waikato, so this new role is a return home for her.

On behalf of the Murupara Community Board, we wish you all the best.

Karakia: Closing

Karakia: Traditional Māori Chant (Closing)

Ka whakairia te tapu	Restrictions are moved aside.
Kia wātea ai te ara	So the pathway is clear.
Kia turuki whakataha ai	To return to everyday activities
Kia turuki whakataha ai	To return to everyday activities
Haumi ē, hui ē, tāiki ē!	Enriched, unified, and blessed.