



Rangitāiki Community Board

Te Poari Hapori o Rangitāiki

Wednesday, 27 November 2024
Rāapa, 27 Whiringa-ā-rangi 2024

Lions Reading Room, Edgecumbe Library
Commerce Street, Whakatāne
Commencing at: 5:30 PM

Chief Executive: Steven Perdia
Publication Date: 22 November 2024

A Membership - *Mematanga*

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Board Member Leeann Waaka - Chairperson

Board Member Ross Gardiner - Deputy Chairperson

Board Member Clive McIndoe

Board Member Heemi Brown

Board Member Pete Falwasser

Board Member Peter Flowerday

Councillor Gavin Dennis

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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 Opening Karakia - *He Karakia Tīmatanga*

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

2 Apologies - *Te hunga kāore i tae*

At the time of compiling the agenda an apology had been received from Councillor G Dennis.

3 Acknowledgements / Tributes - *Ngā mihimihi*

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

4 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.

The Elected Member Register of Interest is available on the Whakatāne District Council website. If you wish to view the information relating to Community Boards, please click this [Register Link](#).

5 Public Participation - *Wānanga Tūmatanui*

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5.1 Public Forum - *Wānanga Tūmatanui*

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 five 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.

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.

- Ms Gardiner and Skye Chrisholm
- EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team

5.2 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.

6 Confirmation of Minutes - *Te whakaaetanga o ngā meneti o te hui*

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6.1 Minutes - Rangitāiki Community Board 2 October 2024

 <p>WHAKATĀNE District Council <i>Kia Whakatāne au i ahau</i></p>	Details of Meeting:	RANGITĀIKI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE LIONS READING ROOM, EDGE CUMBE LIBRARY, COLLEGE ROAD, EDGE CUMBE ON WEDNESDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2024 COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM
	Present:	Members L Waaka (Chairperson), P Flowerday, R Gardiner, C McIndoe, H Brown and Councillor G Dennis
	In Attendance:	F Begley (Manager Community Partnerships) and S Duffy (Senior Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	K Monika and R Elliot (Ngāi Tamawera Kapa Haka Roopu)
	Apologies:	Member P Falwasser

1. KARAKIA

The meeting was opened at 5:30 pm with a Karakia from Member H Brown, and introductions made.

Attendance: Member R Gardiner and Councillor O'Brien entered the meeting at 5:34 pm.

2. APOLOGY

Moved Councillor Dennis / Seconded Member Flowerday

RESOLVED:

THAT the Rangitāiki Community Board **accept** the apology from Member P Falwasser.

CARRIED

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

Nil.

4. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

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5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5.1. Ngāi Tamawera Kapa Haka Roopu

Ms Monika advised all relevant information regarding the application was contained within the agenda and was happy to answer questions.

- The group utilised the Marae Project Bank account; the balance shown being Marae funds only.
- The Marae Committee had funded the \$20K towards kapa haka uniforms and more.
- 'Other costs' were for 50 Harakeke Pōtae (woven flax hats) at \$40 each. These were being purchased from a local supplier; being a small community it was noted this person was on the Kapa Haka committee.
- It was clarified that the Board could not provide funding for the wānanga that had already taken place in September.

Attendance: Mr Elliot left the meeting at 5:51 pm.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Refer to pages 8-11 of the agenda.

Moved Member Gardiner / Seconded Member Flowerday

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Rangitāiki Community Board meeting for Wednesday, 31 July 2024 be **confirmed** as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

7. REPORTS

7.1. Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report

Refer to pages 12-25 of the agenda.

Manager Community Partnerships advised members of the following upcoming events: Ride the runway (5 October) and The Amazing Race (9 October) and he reported that the Whakatāne Library held a wonderful school holiday programme. It was suggested advising the events earlier would enable whānau planning time.

Members would be updated as to when the Whakatāne District Climate Change Risk Assessment presentation was scheduled.

Chairperson Waaka reported that 'The Memorial Rest Room' in Whakatāne, situated on The Strand at the base of Pōhaturua Rock, was erected to commemorate members of Ngāti Awa who served in the First World War (WW1). The WW1 memorial plaque, which was unveiled on 21 December 2021, honours 10 brave Ngāti Awa men who sacrificed their lives in active service and 36 brave men who survived. Lack of funds prevented the intended erection of a further 5 tablets. Chairperson Waaka

6.1 Minutes - Rangitāiki Community Board 2 October 2024(Cont.)

had been in contact with the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board Chairperson and had proposed all Community Boards be involved to bring this to fruition. Information had been emailed to Councillor O'Brien seeking advice on how Ngāti Awa would like this to progress.

Moved Councillor Dennis / Seconded Member Gardiner

RESOLVED:

THAT the Rangitāiki Community Board - Activity Report October 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

7.2. Funding Application to RCB – October 2024

Refer to pages 26-39 of the agenda.

Member Brown declared a conflict of interest relating to this item and did not vote on the matter.

During discussions, it was explained the reasoning why the Marae was required to charge their hapū for venue hire, and it was clarified that 40 people would be taking the stage for Ngāi Tamawera Kapa Haka roopu at the Ngāti Awa Te Toki festival. It was confirmed the Harakeke Pōtae would be reutilised for future events.

Moved Chairperson Waaka / Seconded Member Gardiner

RESOLVED:

1. THAT the Funding Application to RCB – October 2024 report be **received**; and
2. THAT \$3500.00 be **allocated** from the Rangitāiki Community Board discretionary funds to the Ngāi Tamawera Kapa Haka Roopu to cover costs for the October wānanga venue hire, project costs (Harakeke Pōtae), and travel costs to attend the Ngāti Awa Te Toki Festival in October 2024.

CARRIED

Attendance: Ms Monika left the meeting at 6:33 pm.

8. Chairperson and Sub-Committee Reports

8.1. Chairperson Report

Refer to pages 40-41 of the agenda.

Moved Member Gardiner / Seconded Member Brown

RESOLVED:

THAT the RCB Chairperson Report – October 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

6.1 Minutes - Rangitāiki Community Board 2 October 2024(Cont.)

8.2. Councillor Report

Refer to page 42-43 of the agenda.

An update was requested regarding the installation (Waka Kotahi responsibility) of a pedestrian refuge opposite the Te Teko Post Office.

Moved Councillor Dennis / Seconded Member Flowerday

RESOLVED:

THAT the RCB Ward Councillor Report – October 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

8.3. RCB Super Local Conference 2024 Report

Refer to page 44-48 of the agenda.

Members Brown and Gardiner summarised their experiences, takeaways, and the value of networking, from their time at the conference.

Moved Member Gardiner/ Seconded Member McIndoe

RESOLVED:

THAT the Rangitāiki Community Board **receive** the RCB Super Local Conference 2024 Report.

CARRIED

8.4. Member Reporting

Refer to page 49 of the agenda.

- Member McIndoe continued negotiations with NZ Railways, and he would be put in contact with their Vegetation Manager. A site visit was being scheduled.
- Members were reminded to log Requests for Service through the Council's Customer Services team for maintenance requests.
- Member Brown mentioned he had a proposal regarding waste and signage. The information would to be forwarded Board members and to the Waste Manager at Council.
- Chairperson Waaka raised that Nics Autos (under umbrella of Edgumbe Blue Light) had arranged a community children's disco. She spoke of the benefits and success of the event and raised if the Board would like to donate to cover costs for the sausage sizzle (\$133.30). Chairperson Waaka advised she had personally covered the costs to date.
- With the end of the year looming, it was requested the dates the remaining 2024 Combined Community Board meeting/events be advertised early.
- Members expressed interest to support WOCB Chairperson Hamill at an upcoming meeting with the Mayor and the Whakatāne Action Group. Members to be advised of the meeting date.
- Mover Member Gardiner / Seconded Member McIndoe

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RESOLVED:

THAT the Rangitāiki Community Board **donate** \$133.30 to cover the cost of sausage sizzle at the Edgecumbe Community children’s disco – to be reimbursed back to Chairperson Waaka.

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA BY MEMBER BROWN AT 7:29 PM.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:
CHAIRPERSON

7 Reports - *Ngā Pūrongo*

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7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report



To: **Rangitāiki Community Board**

Date: **Wednesday, 27 November 2024**

Author: **F Begley / Manager Community Partnerships**

Authoriser: **B Gray / General Manager Infrastructure**

Reference: **A2788775**

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

This report provides the Community Board with an update on several projects and activities delivered within the Rangitāiki Board to mid-November 2024 and covers the following activities:

- Community Planning
- Spatial Plan
- Edgecumbe to Thornton Trail Update
- Community Partnerships Update
- Transport Update
- Three Waters Update
- Solid Waste Update
- Strategy and Transformation Update
- Community Experience
- Tourism and Events
- News
- Discretionary Funds

2. Recommendation - *Tohutohu akiaki*

THAT the Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report November 2024 be **received**.

7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

3. Community Planning

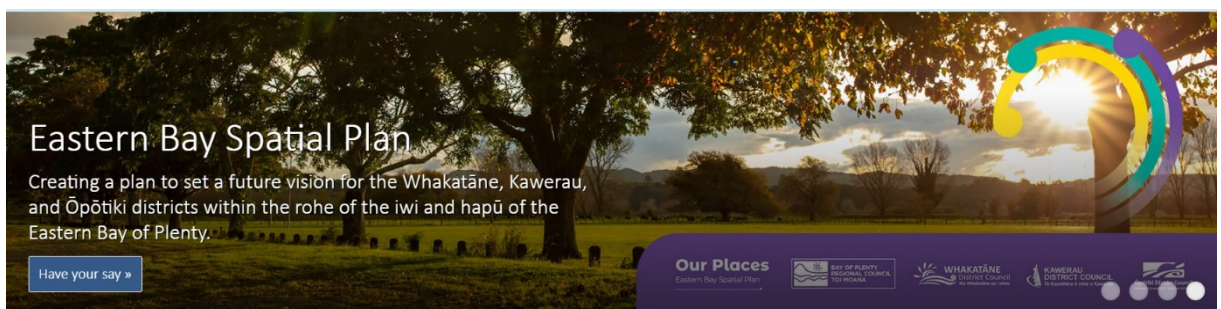
3.1. Matatā Community Plan Complete



The Matatā Community Plan has now been completed thanks to the work of the Matatā Collective, who led the development of the plan and will continue to oversee its delivery. The Matatā Collective includes representatives from community groups and organisations such as Ngāti Rangitihī, Matatā Residents Association, Matatā Bluelight, Matatā Fire Service, Matatā Community Emergency Team and members of the community.

The plan will continue to be shared with the Matatā Community, key stakeholder groups and organisations. The Collective looks forward to officially presenting the community plan to the Rangitāiki Community Board in the new year.

4. Spatial Plan



7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

Spatial plans are about the places we live in and how we want them to be for our future generations.

When completed, they provide a roadmap for our future spaces and places and an evidence base and direction to align other strategies and planning processes towards common outcomes.

In late 2022, Local Authorities and Iwi Authorities in the Eastern Bay of Plenty began to work collaboratively with Government agencies to scope and develop a spatial plan for the sub-region. The intention was for a plan that reflects the partners aspirations for our rohe, informs Council Long Term Plan processes, and Government infrastructure investment decisions.

4.1. Consultation period (October-November 2024)

Public consultation took place from 14 October through to 17 November 2024. This was an opportunity to hear directly from our communities on their thoughts and aspirations for the future of the Eastern Bay of Plenty. Consultation consisted of a mix of digital and traditional platforms followed up with face-to-face engagement. Face-to-face engagement included:

- Three key 'A grade' facilitated workshops with invited stakeholders, being a joint school/youth session, Whakatāne District Council Community Board members session and Friends of our Places/Stakeholder session held across 29 and 30 October 2024. Similar workshops took place in Kawerau and Ōpōtiki.
- A Sponsored BA5 event with Eastern Bay Chamber of Commerce held on 30 October 2024.
- Focused Meetings: Smaller one-to-one meetings with selected stakeholder groups.
- Public open house events held in Awakeri, Matatā, Tāneatua, Murupara (joint event with Whakatāne Iwi Collective Policy Hub) and Whakatane township held from 31 October 2024 to 7 November 2024.

Following the consultation period, the Eastern Bay of Plenty Spatial Plan project will collate all feedback received and hear from any submitters that wish to be heard at a Project Governance Group Meeting (this group includes District Council Mayors, the Eastern Bay of Plenty General Constituency Regional Councillor, Chairs of Iwi Authorities, senior Government representatives, and an independent chairperson) on 2 and 3 December 2024, we will then consider how to input the feedback received directly into the project, which we will receive feedback from the Project Governance Group on at their next meeting on 18 December, 2024.

5. Edgecumbe to Thornton Trail Update



7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

Work to upgrade the Rangitāiki River Walkway into a new, more usable track is progressing well. We've scraped back the existing grass track and are laying down crushed metal as the contractor works their way toward the Edgecumbe Squash and Tennis Club.

The upgrade from a grass track to a crushed metal trail will make it more accessible for walking, running and biking. This first section, which will eventually connect Edgecumbe to Thornton, will form part of a broader vision of walking and cycling trails to be developed through the district.

The project team is still progressing talks with property owners along sections two and three. Work is on track to be completed by mid-November. Thanks to the Department of Internal Affairs Better Off Funding for making this possible.

6. Community Partnerships Update

6.1. Diversity Equity and Inclusion Policy consultation open



Consultation on the Draft Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy opened on Monday, 4 November and runs until Thursday, 5 December. There is a range of engagement and communications activities planned, including presentations and workshops with Community Boards and the Social Sector Network. The consultation will be promoted via the usual channels, including radio and newspaper advertising, social media and targeted correspondence.

Some new techniques have also been introduced, such as a video with sign language translation, full translation of the policy in Te Reo Māori and recorded audio of the draft policy to ensure we are considering minority and marginalised communities in our engagement. You will be able to find out more information on the following link <https://koreromai.whakatane.govt.nz/dei-policy> . Karen Summerhays will be in attendance to provide more information and answer your questions to inform a potential Community Board submission.

7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

7. Transport Update

7.1. Mimiha Stream Bridge Replacement



- The Mass Stabilised Earth (MSE) wall on the eastern side is now complete and is ready for concreting and the installation of the abutment pile cap reinforcing.
- The wall on the western side now has the first layer of blocks placed on the foundation.
- The centre pier wall has been poured and formwork stripped, along with prep work in readiness to pour the Pier pile cap.

7.2. Thornton Road pavement Rehabilitation



- All roading related works have been completed including road sealing and line marking. Thornton Road re-opened earlier than expected on the afternoon of Saturday, 8 November for all traffic.

7.3. West Bank Road, North and South, pavement rehabilitation

The start of West Bank North was pushed back to 11 November to allow easier detour access to road users while Thornton Road was under completion. All shoulder excavations on West Bank Road South have been completed in preparation for shoulder widening works. The aggregate removed from West Bank Road North will be used to construct the shoulders on West Bank Road South, a cost and resource saving activity.

7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

8. Three Waters Update

8.1. Watermains renewals

In early November 2024, our Three Waters team began the next watermain renewal project. This project will replace and upsize sections of the watermains on Alexander Avenue and Valley Road, providing enhanced capacity and improved reliability. The renewal will also include water pipes on Amokura Place and Peter Snell Street, both located off Alexander Avenue.

8.2. Stormwater resilience: McAlister St Stormwater Pump Station

With favourable weather, low tides and low river flows, and with a section of the Warren Cole Walkway closed, the Three Waters team took the opportunity to carry out routine maintenance at the McAlister Street stormwater pump station and gravity outlet. This is standard procedure following a major rain event. Contractors were engaged to clean the three pump bays, inspect the pump casings, remove the lead pump for maintenance and repair the floodgate on the gravity culvert. The floodgate had buckled due to being partially held open by rocks and debris, but it was inspected and straightened.



In line with Bay of Plenty Regional Council's Project Future Proof to upgrade flood defences along the Whakatāne CBD, the three louvred windows (one circled red above in the river side of the McAlister Street Pump Station photo) will be closed in to enhance flood resilience.

7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

9. Solid Waste Update

9.1. Burma Road Landfill



Work on the site is progressing well, with the leachate collector chamber now substantially complete. This chamber is designed to capture and collect leachate—the liquid that drains or 'leaches' from a landfill or waste storage area. Installation of the new leachate collector drains, which are part of the landfill's drainage system to channel leachate into the chamber, is also underway. Improved hazard management practices have been introduced, including daily screening reviews and covering of excavated trench material to prevent movement due to rainfall or wind.

10. Strategy and Transformation update

10.1. Community feedback drives changes to local bylaws

Whakatāne District Council has officially adopted its new Freedom Camping Bylaw, along with key amendments to the Public Places Bylaw, following a thorough public consultation process. These changes are part of the Council's effort to provide clearer guidance for visitors while ensuring public safety, environmental protection, and access to key areas across the district. The new Freedom Camping Bylaw separates freedom camping rules from the existing Public Places Bylaw, aiming to simplify the regulations for visitors. The changes reflect legislative updates and address community feedback received during the consultation period.

Councillors agreed to several key changes to the Freedom Camping Bylaw to enhance public safety and respond to community concerns. Freedom campers in restricted areas can now stay for up to three nights within a four-week period, an increase from the previous two-night limit. To ensure public safety, freedom camping is prohibited in the Awatarariki Debris Flow Area in Matatā.

7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

Additionally, freedom camping will not be permitted at Rex Morpeth Park and in extended areas along West End, Ocean Road, and Port Ōhohe Reserve. Based on community feedback, the Council has also decided to prohibit freedom camping at Edgecumbe Domain.

Council believes these updates strike a balance between encouraging visitors and protecting local amenities.

In addition to the new Freedom Camping Bylaw, Council has amended the Public Places Bylaw, with the most substantial change being fire restrictions. Fires are prohibited in public places, with exceptions for some cooking devices and bonfires, which will still be allowed on beaches under the Beaches Bylaw. The changes to the bylaws came into effect immediately. Freedom campers and residents are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the new regulations, which will be available on Council's website.

10.2. Council adopts new Road Naming and Addressing Policy

Whakatāne District Council has officially adopted its new Road Naming and Addressing Policy following a public consultation process. Approved during the Living Together Committee meeting Thursday, 3 October, the updated policy aims to better reflect local history, culture, and identity, while ensuring the naming process provides opportunity for iwi/hapū participation as well as provide clarity for timeframes.

The previous policy, last reviewed in 2014, no longer aligned with the Council's strategic priorities, leading to delays and unclear processes for applicants. The new policy addresses these challenges by introducing clearer guidelines and a more collaborative approach to road naming.

An important update is the requirement for applicants to engage with local iwi and hapū for all road naming processes, regardless of whether a Māori name is proposed. This change aims to improve participation from iwi, hapū, and whānau, ensuring road names reflect the district's rich cultural heritage.

The draft policy received strong support from iwi and hapū, as well as from individual community members during the public consultation process. In the consultation process, some residents expressed concerns the Council might be considering renaming existing roads. To clarify, this is not the case.

The adoption of a new road naming policy is intended to guide future applications only. Now adopted, the new policy will guide all future road naming and renaming applications, ensuring that road names are selected with respect to the district's identity and in line with the Council's vision.

11. Community Experience Update

11.1. Te Kōputu a te Whanga a Toi - Whakatāne Library and Exhibition Centre

It's change-out time again for the galleries at Te Kōputu with three terrific exhibitions coming on stream:

- *Ngāti Awa Te Toki* – Celebrating a decade of the biennial Te Toki Kapahaka Festival. The exhibition opens at 5.30pm, Thursday, 14 November
- *Tia Barrett* – Moving image installation. Launching with a soft opening on Saturday, 16 November
- and our very own... *Maia Wharewera-Ballard* – Masters in Fine Art Exhibition, opening 10.30am, Saturday, 23 November.

7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report(Cont.)

This is the last change-out for the galleries before the return of the highly acclaimed Molly Morpeth Canaday Award finalists exhibition, opening 1 February 2025.

11.2. He Waka Hono Hapori Community Connections and Outreach Project



We've recently added two VW vans to our Council fleet as part of He Waka Hono Hapori Community Connections and Outreach Initiative, funded by the Department of Internal Affairs Better Off Funding. The vans will be used to bring Council services and information to our rural communities, particularly to those who do not have a physical Council building nearby.

Council has been consulting both internally and externally on the initiative. Internally, we've connected with staff across the organisation to seek information and feedback to better understand how our teams could use the vans and what equipment would be required. Externally, we've engaged with local communities via a Kōrero Mai online survey, and we aim to keep this live until the launch of the new service to continue to receive as much feedback as we can.

The special fit-out of the vans has now been completed, while graphic design for the signwriting wrap is underway and is expected to be completed by mid-November. Communications, ICT hardware and other resources are expected to be installed by late November, with a soft launch date into the community to follow.

All enquiries about this project can be emailed to the project team at communityconnections@whakatane.govt.nz and updates about the project will be published on the Council website [here](#).

11.3. Council launches event space for hire

Whakatāne District Council will soon launch a new service that will enable areas within the main Council building to be available for hire.

The Tōtara Event Space includes the Council Chambers and two other rooms, which can be hired separately or in full outside of business hours. The service, designed for community and charitable groups, businesses and organisations to hold meetings, networking events and seminars, is a result of the Council building redevelopment and desire from elected members that part of the building would act as a community hub for public use. One of the project goals was to make democracy more accessible, and the ground floor location of the Council meeting rooms has achieved that. There is a robust process in place for those interested in hiring the venue, and concierges will be on-site before, during and after the booking period to help ensure everything runs smoothly. Room Tōtara has capacity to seat 110 guests and can be set up in four different layouts, dependent on the style of function that is being hosted. Room Miro and Room Kererū can seat 25 guests and are designed for smaller-scale meetings.

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Tea and coffee facilities are provided, and a kitchen is available for use; however, catering is not available as part of the hire agreement and will need to be arranged privately. Audio-visual equipment is available for use in both rooms. The fee structure, which was approved at the Ordinary Council meeting Thursday, 17 October, has been established to fully cover the costs associated with operating the event space. The fees, which range from \$240 to \$500 for the evening, are based on similar local venue options. The rates have been set to ensure there's no direct impact on ratepayers for the service.

There are also currently two smaller meeting rooms available free-of-charge for community groups to use at various times throughout the week during business hours. The event space is available on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. Visit Council's website for more information and how to book a space.

11.4. Rex Morpeth Update

We are about to kick off the next phase of master planning work for Rex Morpeth Recreation Hub and are pleased to share we have recently appointed Recreation Sport Leisure Consultancy (RSL) to support us to finalise a master plan. RSL came out on top of a very competitive tender process. Since their establishment in 2018, RSL has developed a significant track record in successful recreation planning. This has included leading the needs assessment and engagement processes for the development of numerous master plans for recreation reserves and major recreation facility assets for local government clients throughout New Zealand. RSL have assembled a strong team which includes Boffa Miskell, Architecture HDT and Rider Levett Bucknall. Their brief is to deliver a more affordable master plan, that better aligns with our investment objectives.

- The newly appointed consultant team will start with a peer review of the existing master plan, with a report due prior to Christmas. Following the Christmas break, the team will provide advice on alternative master plan options, which will be tested with Elected Members and key users. A key focus of their investigation into alternative options will be exploring the feasibility of a separate indoor court facility. Following community engagement, the aim is to have a master plan to bring to Elected Members for adoption before June 2025. As discussed and agreed as part of the Long Term Planning process, there will be many stop/go decision making points throughout this project. Health and safety improvements Physical works focusing on addressing health and safety issues and improving functionally are underway. Works completed to date include the following: Full roof replacement over the reception area, including the roof over the Little Theatre lighting control area; asbestos removal from the stadium bathrooms and foyer; new energy efficient stadium lighting assisted by a grant from Trust Horizon; and replacement of damaged ceiling tiles in the reception area.
- Planning is underway for future works for the remainder of the 2024-25 year, and the following three years. Items in the pipeline include health and safety and functional improvements within the Little Theatre, making the Whakatāne War Memorial Hall watertight, lighting improvements at Rugby Park, and entrance improvements from Domain Road into Rugby Park.

12. Tourism and Events**12.1. Marketing**

The Tourism and Events team recently attended the Motorhome and Caravan Show at Mystery Creek, sharing a stand with Tairāwhiti Gisborne to promote both regions and the East Coast Road trip. The motorhome market is steadily growing, with 23,000 show attendees across three days!

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Most attendees had fond memories of visiting the rohe or were planning a trip here in the near future. While there was already high awareness of Whakatāne as a holiday destination, it was a great opportunity to showcase our visitor experiences, with many pleasantly surprised by how much is on offer.

The first of several summer marketing campaigns is underway. This year, we’ve focused more on outdoor digital media, including digital billboards in all North Island main centres, as well as digital screens at Auckland, Hamilton, Taupō, Whanganui and Palmerston North airports.

A series of new campaign videos have also been produced. The videos are running across several online channels until the end of November, alongside digital display ads, remarketing (targeting ads to people who have already interacted with our website, app or content in some way) and mobile digital ads.

12.2. Events

Over recent weeks the Events team have supported Te Hunga Roia Māori o Aotearoa (the Māori Law Society) Conference, and several high-profile golf tournaments including the nib Pro-Am and BOP Masters. In addition, the team supported community and Council-led events: Kōrero for Kiwi, Ride the Runway and The Amazing Race. Over Labour weekend, Ngāti Awa Te Toki Kapa Haka was held at Rugby Park with 10,000 attendees and supported by Events and Open Spaces, Transportation, and Health and Safety teams.

Coming up, on Tuesday, 26 November, a parade to honour our Eastern Bay medallists Dame Lisa Carrington, Hayden Wilde and Stacey Waaka will be held at Rex Morpeth Park. We anticipate a large number of school children and community members will be excited to attend. The Events team is working with local food producers and the hospitality sector to coordinate a series of events for the regional Flavours of Plenty Festival.

The visitor economy across the region remains flat due to current economic conditions, the cost-of-living crisis affecting the domestic market and the slow return of international visitors. This trend is similar across New Zealand, though falling interest rates may boost confidence for the summer months. See below Marketview Visitor Spend April 2024 to September 2024 compared to the same period last year.

Location	Spending Total	Change*
Whakatane	\$44,280,602	-3.8%
The Mount	\$41,469,724	-10.9%
Papamoa	\$23,518,633	-5.0%
Tauranga CBD	\$20,287,147	-3.6%
Kaikati/Waihi Beach	\$15,155,516	+6.0%
Total	\$144,711,622	-5.2%

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13. News

<https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/news>

<https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/about-council/public-notice>

13.1. Social media:

Social media is also a useful way for members to keep up to date with Council activities in your hapori.

<https://www.facebook.com/WhakataneDistrictCouncil>

<https://www.facebook.com/WhakataneAquaticCentre/>

The Council Facebook page is a critical communications channel for our emergency management team and posts will always be put up during times the Incident Management Team is monitoring weather or other emergency events.

13.2. Events

For up-to-date listings on community events, information can be found here

<https://www.whakatane.com/events/community-events-and-markets>

14. Discretionary Funds and Reserve Balances

14.1. Unallocated Grants and Subsidies (Discretionary Fund) as at 31 October 2024

The current unallocated grants and subsidies year to date, as at 31 October 2024 is \$26,027.61. Allocations are summarised below.

Rangitāiki Community Board		
Unallocated Grants and Subsidies (Discretionary Fund) as at 31 October 2024 is \$26,027.61		
Opening Balance carried forward from prior years unallocated grants*		9,601.77
2024/25 Annual Plan		20,059.14
2024/25 revised Budget of Grants and Subsidies to allocate		\$ 29,660.91
2025 Allocations		
FUND TO COVER COSTS FOR THE OCTOBER WANANGA VENUE HIRE , PROJECT COSTS AND TRAVEL COSTS TO ATTEND		
4-Oct-24 NGATI AWA TE TOKI FESTIVAL OCTOBER 2024, NGAI TAMAWERA KAPA HAKA ROOPU	3,500.00	Approved & Paid
4-Oct-24 NICS AUTOS DONATION (VIA REIMBURSEMENT L WAAKA)	133	Committed not yet paid
Year to Date allocations		\$ 3,633.30
Current unallocated Grants and Subsidies (Discretionary Fund)*		\$ 26,027.61

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Draft Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy

Te Kaupapa Here Kanorau,
Ōritetanga me te Whai Wāhitanga

Date made:
Commencement:
Amendments:
Next Review Date:
Review Frequency:

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1.0 Introduction - Kupu Arataki

Placeholder space for Whakataukī / Whakatauākī

This policy provides guidance to Whakatane District Council regarding how we can enhance social cohesion through supporting diversity, inclusion and equity in our work and everyday behaviour. This policy describes Council's approach to enable all people to participate and makes extra accommodations for the cohorts of our society that face greater barriers to participation and are more likely to experience discrimination and bias.

Core to this is the understanding that we all have many facets of our identity. This is sometimes referred to as our 'intersectionality'. Through an awareness of intersectionality, we can better acknowledge the differences among us and create an environment where we all feel safe to be ourselves.

This policy is important to ensure we are engaging with a diverse range of individuals and communities, including them in decision-making, and providing equitable opportunities for groups and individuals who may have experienced discrimination and disadvantage.

This policy seeks to address systematic disadvantages and institutional structures that perpetuate inequality for marginalised and minority groups, with the intention of implementing equitable provisions to level the playing field for these groups. The policy is fundamental for Council's role in provision of services, community development, social procurement and engagement with and support for our communities.

2.0 Background - He tirohanga whakamuri

Early in 2024 Council signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Whakatane-Accessible and Inclusive (WAI) group to enable a closer working relationship with, and improved understanding of, disabled people. As part of the MOU, Council promised to undertake the development of a Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Policy.

Recent Council engagement identified gaps regarding DEI and it became evident that parts of our community were not being, or feeling, included or were receiving less service than others.

This indicated a need to provide direction to Council on how we can enhance social cohesion through supporting diversity, equity and inclusion in our work and everyday

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behaviour. DEI considerations are also key to our intended social procurement outcomes.

Council staff have researched our community demographics to inform the policy and supported qualitative research regarding our migrant and minority communities in the district. Extensive pre-engagement with our communities was undertaken throughout the first half of 2024 to better understand the needs of cohorts of our society that we rarely hear from and to provide baseline information for the development of this policy.

The pre-engagement included focus groups with the following communities of interest:

- Older People / Kaumātua
- Young People / Taiohi
- Neurodivergent People /Te Hunga Kanorau ā-roro
- Rainbow Community / Hapori Takatāpui
- People with Disability / Tāngata whaikaha
- Rural People / Te Hunga Taiwhenua
- Hard to Reach Whānau Groups

We note this is not an exhaustive list and may be subject to change in the future.

3.0 Strategic Alignment - Tīaroaronga Rautaki

Long Term Plan 2024-34

This policy is aligning and contributing to Council's Strategic Priority of enhancing the safety, wellbeing and vibrancy of our community.

Te Toi Waka Whakarei Strategy

The Te Toi Waka Whakarei Strategy supports the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Policy. Te Toi Waka Whakarei strategy supports the DEI Policy to ensure that considerations are given to Mana Taurite – Equity, Mana Ōrite and Mana Motuhake. What this means, is that:

- Tāngata Māori are engaged, to varying degrees, in applying a Te Ao Māori approach and mātauranga Māori (traditional Māori knowledge) to the way they participate in all forms of social, economic, and cultural activity across the region.
- Māori have all the rights of British citizens under Article Three of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, which guarantees' Māori freedom from discrimination and

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obliges the Crown to positively promote equity "...[and] to make every reasonable effort to eliminate barriers to services that may contribute to inequitable outcomes."

- Mana Ōrite, respective views will be heard, considered, and afforded equal explanatory power.
- Mana Motuhake, by Māori for Māori approach

Examples of principles in line with Mana Taurite include:

- Accessible Services – Iwi, Hapū and Whānau, regardless of gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, ethnicity, economic situation, or geographic location, have timely and equitable access to appropriate services
- Partners with Choice & Control – Iwi, Hapū and Whānau using services have their rights to make choices. Working alongside professionals improves service quality, safety, the experience of services, and the equity of outcomes. This principle can be rephrased as 'nothing about us, without us.'
- Best practice through collaboration - Appropriate services include an understanding of the lived experiences of people and whānau and shared decision making with them.

Whilst the Te Toi Waka Whakarei Strategy focuses on our Iwi, Hapū and Whānau relationships, the Relationship Work Plan that underpins this Strategy has six Strategic Focus Areas, of which two speak to this DEI Policy, and how the Te Toi Waka Whakarei Strategy supports it. Namely:

(3) Becoming an empowered organisation – The Council group works to fulfil its commitments and legal obligations to Māori under Te Tiriti o Waitangi and aims to ensure its staff can deliver Māori outcomes.

(4) Promoting Māori identity – The Council group aims to reflect and promote Māori culture and identity within the environment and to value mātauranga Māori.

Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ)

Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) believes in inclusive democracy and provides resources to promote and support diversity and participation in local government. They work across five streams to positively influence local government as part of our DEI strategy such as:

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1. Embedding Te Ao Māori within the sector
2. Improving council culture and wellbeing
3. Building sector capability around cultural awareness
4. Increasing diversity of representation
5. Encouraging greater public and community engagement through storytelling and education.

This policy responds to local need and also responds to both national and international frameworks, in particular: the Local Government NZ commitment to Localism; the Ministry for Social Development Social Cohesion Framework; the NZ Bill of Rights Act (1990); and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG5: Gender equality, SDG10: Reduced inequalities, SDG16: Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions)

4.0 Legislation - Ngā Ture

Te Tiriti o Waitangi is New Zealand's founding document. Te Tiriti requires councils to establish, maintain and improve opportunities for Māori to contribute to local government decision-making processes.

New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 protects the civil and political rights of all New Zealanders. Under this Act, everyone has the right to freedom from discrimination as outlined in the Human Rights Act 1993.

Building Regulations 1992 contains the Building Code for which all building work in New Zealand must comply. The Building Code's access provisions ensure that people with disabilities can carry out normal activities and functions within buildings.

Human Rights Act 1993 protects all people in New Zealand from discriminatory treatment based on personal characteristics, including religion, race, ethnicity, disability, age, and sexual orientation.

Local Government Act 2002 requires councils to consider and promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future. When making decisions councils are expected to take account of the diversity of their community, the community's interests and the interests of the future community

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5.0 Definitions – Ngā tikanga o ngā kupu

Council means the Whakatāne District Council.

Diversity means the practice or quality of including or involving people from a range of different social and ethnic backgrounds.

Equality refers to the principle of treating everyone the same or providing the exact same opportunities and resources to all individuals or groups regardless of need. It focuses on uniformity and equal treatment without necessarily considering the specific needs, circumstances, or historical disadvantages that certain individuals or groups may face.

Equity means fairness and justice in the distribution of resources, opportunities, and privileges, taking into account the unique circumstances and needs of individuals or groups. It recognises that different individuals or groups may require different levels of support or accommodations to achieve a level playing field. Equity aims to address historical and systematic disadvantages and achieve 'equality of opportunity.'

Inclusion means the practice or policy of providing equal access to opportunities and resources for people who might otherwise be excluded or marginalised, such as those who have physical or intellectual disabilities and members of other minority groups.

Minority refers to characteristics within a population (such as race, socioeconomic status, ability, age, gender, religious belief) that make up a smaller proportion of a population than those in the same demographic that do not identify with those characteristics.

Marginalised groups are those that are prevented from fully participating in the socioeconomic and political landscape of a society due to the interconnected impacts of colonialism, capitalism and patriarchy. These processes create environments that exclude people based on sexual orientation, gender, geography, ethnicity, religion, social class, or disability.

Intersectionality is the interconnected nature of social categorisations such as race, class, and gender as they apply to a given individual or group, regarded as creating overlapping and interdependent systems of discrimination or disadvantage.

Localism is harnessing the power, knowledge, skills and views of local people to strengthen decision-making and service delivery. It develops better solutions to

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problems, fosters stronger connections and makes local places work for people. Localism can lead to more effective and efficient solutions and decisions, empowering communities to make decisions about their own development. To put local people in charge.

Reasonable Accommodations are adjustments made in a system to accommodate or make fair the same system for an individual based on a proven need. That need can vary. Accommodations can be religious, physical, mental or emotional, academic, or employment-related, and law often mandates them.

6.0 Objective – Ngā whāinga

The objectives of this policy are to:

- a) foster a sense of belonging for all our people
- b) include marginalised and minority communities in our decision-making
- c) build and maintain quality relationships with our marginalised and minority communities
- d) show empathy, compassion, and respect to our marginalised and minority communities in our district
- e) encourage an environment where our marginalised and minority communities feel safe to be themselves.

7.0 Policy – Te kaupapa here

Diversity, equity and inclusion are interrelated concepts which form the basis of this policy. Diversity speaks to the different individuals and groups we have in our community, inclusion refers to including said groups or individuals, and equity aims to level the playing field for such groups or individuals. The policy sections below are grouped into these principles, however they may be applicable to more than one category.

Diversity - Kanorau

Diversity encompasses a sense of belonging, celebrating our identities, and awareness and appreciation of the intersectionality of people so that the people in our communities are represented.

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7.1. Education and Awareness Initiatives

Council will support our communities to achieve diverse representation and honour people's identity and intersectionality by:

- 7.1.1 Supporting community-led awareness initiatives
- 7.1.2 Supporting events that celebrate peoples' identities relative to their experience
- 7.1.3 Treating everyone with dignity and respecting their rights and beliefs.

Inclusion - Whai Wāhitanga

Inclusion involves increasing both social cohesion and connection within our communities.

Council will focus on the following areas to support our people and communities of interest to feel included:

7.2. Civics, democracy, and decision-making

Council will support our people and communities to participate in decision-making by:

- 7.2.1 Providing an environment where cohorts can have their voice heard
- 7.2.2 Encouraging active participation and feedback on Council projects
- 7.2.3 Enabling increased understanding of civics and democracy and decision-making processes.

7.3 Safe Community Spaces

Council will provide spaces where our communities can feel safe by:

- 7.3.1 Utilising our safe shared spaces for community use
- 7.3.2 Enabling an environment where our people are safe to be themselves
- 7.3.3 Enhance our physical environment to accommodate all accessibilities.

Equity - Ōritetanga

Equity identifies how we can meet the needs of our community in an equitable way by removing barriers and advocating for equal opportunities. An equitable society ensures justice and peace within our communities.

Council will focus on the following areas to promote equity across our district:

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7.4 Accessibility

Council will prioritise ease of access for our people by:

- 7.4.1 Enabling an environment where our people are safe to be themselves
- 7.4.2 Ensuring easy access to Council services and providing information in formats that suit the needs and preferences of our residents
- 7.4.3 Utilising inclusive and/or universal design principles to remove barriers to access to physical spaces, information, and participation.

7.5 Inclusive Leadership and Reasonable Accommodations

Council will demonstrate inclusive leadership by:

- 7.5.1 Increasing awareness and understanding of reasonable accommodations so that equitable provisions consider the needs of all parties
- 7.5.2 Enacting reasonable accommodations in our internal Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy
- 7.5.3 Using a diversity, equity, and inclusion lens to inform decision-making to avoid discrimination, promote inclusion, and increase fairness in the district, wherever possible.

8.0 Accountability and Implementation – Ngā haepapa

Whakatāne District Council is responsible for the application, monitoring, and review of this policy.

This external policy applies to the procurement, management, and delivery of Council services. We expect all elected members, employees, volunteers and third parties/contractors carrying out work on behalf of the Council to comply with this policy.

We will support the development of any community-led action plans that follow from this document to support the implementation of this policy.

This policy will inform Whakatāne District Council's internal diversity, equity and inclusion policy and operational procedures of Council.

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By implementing this policy, it is hoped that other businesses and organisations will be encouraged to consider implementing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion principles in their practises.

9.0 Review - Te arotake

Council will monitor the effectiveness of the policy on an ongoing basis and review the policy every five years.

7.2 Funding Application to RCB – November 2024

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To: **Rangitāiki Community Board**
Date: **Wednesday, 27 November 2024**
Author: **S Duffy / Senior Governance Support Advisor**
Authoriser: **C Viljoen / Manager Governance Services**
Reference: **A2786290**

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

Two applications have been received seeking funding from the Rangitāiki Community Board Discretionary Fund. The applications are attached to this report and the applicants have been invited to attend the public forum at the commencement of the meeting.

2. Recommendations - *Tohutohu akiaki*

1. THAT the Funding Application to RCB – November 2024 report be **received**; and
2. THAT \$_____ be **allocated** from the Rangitāiki Community Board discretionary funds to the Ms Skye Chrisholm to assist with _____ costs for her to attend and participate in the Under 16 International Rugby 10s competition in Hawaii in April 2025; and
3. THAT \$_____ be **allocated** from the Rangitāiki Community Board discretionary funds to EBOP Diamond Softball Team towards costs to run a Competition Day at the Edgecumbe Domain on Saturday, 14 December 2024.

3. Criteria

The criteria for the Community Board Discretionary Fund are:

- No retrospective funding applications will be considered.
- Supporting documentation on costs is required to justify the amount sought.
- The project must be held within the community board area from which you are seeking funding.
- The Community Board has the option to collaborate with other Boards in the joint funding of major projects.
- Grants of up to \$1,000 may be considered to support groups attending international or national events.
- Boards generally lean towards funding an annual or biannual event once but reserves the right to consider each one on a case-by-case basis.
- A 'guarantee against loss' may be offered to support an event that may require either seeding or back up finance – this is to give you confidence that funds up to the value offered will be available following the event if it runs at a loss.
- If successful, applicants will be required to use the Community Board logo on advertising material and other items associated with the event or project to acknowledge the grant made.

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- A declaration of expenditure and project report is required once the project has been completed.
- Funds not uplifted within six months from allocation date will lapse.

4. Funding Applications

4.1. Skye Chrisholm

Ms Gardiner has applied for funding on behalf of her daughter Skye Chrisholm.

Skye has previously played rugby for the Bay of Plenty U16 Girls team. She has been selected by the Whakarewarewa Rugby Club (in Rotorua), to represent BOP and Rotorua Rugby Union and play in the Under 16 International Rugby 10s competition in Hawaii in April 2025. They are seeking funding of \$4350.00.

4.2. EBOP Diamonds Women's Softball Team

The EBOP Diamonds Women's Softball Team are hosting a Competition Day at Edgecumbe Domain on Saturday 14 December. Although not yet confirmed, they also hope to run a "Give it a Go" session with Tamariki of the area during the morning.

The team recently was successful obtaining a \$2000 grant from the Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board in September 2024 for renewal of equipment and to assist with 24/25 Western Bay of Plenty Softball seasonal costs.

4.3. Significance and Engagement Assessment - *Aromatawai Pāhekoheko*

4.3.1. *Assessment of Significance*

The decisions and matters of this report are assessed to be of low significance, in accordance with Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

4.3.2. *Engagement and community views*

There is no requirement to consult or engage on allocation of the Board's discretionary funds.

Engagement on this matter is not being undertaken in accordance with Section 6.1 of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy. This states that the Council will not consult when the matter is not of a nature or significance that requires public engagement.

5. Considerations - *Whai Whakaaro*

5.1. Financial/budget considerations

As of October 2024, the current balance of the Rangitāiki Community Board Discretionary Fund is approximately \$23,765.00.

5.2. Strategic alignment

No inconsistencies with any of the Council's policies or plans have been identified in relation to this report.

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5.3. Climate change assessment

The decisions and matters of this report are assessed to have low climate change implications and considerations, in accordance with the Council's Climate Change Principles.

5.4. Risks

The applications state the events would proceed if the applications were unsuccessful or only partial funds were granted.

6. CONCLUSION

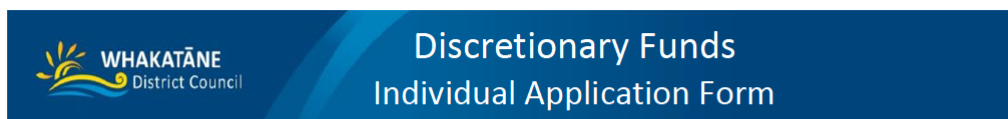
Members now need to consider whether to support the application and if so, the amount of that support.

Attached to this report:

- Application for Funding – S Chrisholm
- Application for Funding - EBOP Diamonds Women's Softball Team

7.2.1 Application for Funding - S Chrisholm

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Application Form - Individual

All sections must be completed and supporting material attached to the back of the form (see section 8 Checklist).
More information can be found on our website www.whakatane.govt.nz or by contacting our Governance Support Advisors on (07) 306 0500.

Completed applications must be sent to: Chief Executive
Whakatāne District Council
Private Bag 1002
Whakatane 3158

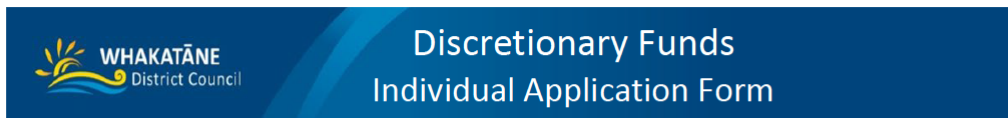
WHICH COMMUNITY BOARD ARE YOU APPLYING TO?	
For each project or service you may apply to ONE of the following discretionary funds only:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rangitāiki Community Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Tāneatua Community Board
<input type="checkbox"/> Murupara Community Board	NOTE The Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board has a different form – see website

HELPFUL INFORMATION BEFORE FILLING OUT THE FORM
<ul style="list-style-type: none">No retrospective funding applications will be considered.You must live within the community board area you are seeking funding from.Supporting documentation on how you worked out your costs is required to justify the amount sought.Applications will be considered at the next appropriate Community Board meetingGrants generally up to \$500 will be considered to support an individual attending international or national events.Applicants will be invited to attend the Public Forum at the commencement of the Board meeting the application will be considered at to provide a brief overview of the application. You will be notified of the time and date prior to the meeting.A declaration of expenditure and results report is required once the event has taken place.Funds not uplifted within six months from allocation will lapse.Applications are accepted throughout the year subject to funding availability.

1 CONTACT DETAILS

1.1	Name: Adrianne Gardiner / Skye Chisholm
	Daytime Phone: [REDACTED]
	Email: [REDACTED]
	Postal address for correspondence: [REDACTED]

7.2.1 Application for Funding - S Chrisolm(Cont.)



2 ABOUT YOUR FUNDING REQUEST

2.1 Please provide a title for the event for which you are seeking funding (approx 8 words):
 U16 Hawaii International Rugby 10z Competition

2.2 Give a brief description your achievements relevant to your application request (if you require more space, please list the key points here and attach a full description to the back of this form):
 Skye has Worked hard all year training and making it into Numerous Teams Bay wide , playing above her grades at the Young Age of 14 and taking a few National Tournaments out alongside with her Team mates.
 We are thrilled to say that Skye has been invited to play Rugby over in Hawaii Next year and we really need some support to help get her there.
 The overall amount for her fees alone are \$5000 .
 If you can support Skye in absolutely anyway we would be most grateful.


2.3 When is the event taking place? Ongoing OR Starts: April 17 2025 Finishes: April 19 2025

2.4 Funding Description – tick the appropriate boxes

- Provision of seeding funding for community events
- Support for Community Projects
- Purchase of works of art for public reserves
- Projects associated with youth and the elderly
- Facility development and upgrades including property owned by community organisations
- Pride and beautification projects within the community
- Board generated projects, events or initiatives
- Promotion and advertising
- Attendance at National or International Competition

2.5 The Whakatāne District Council has adopted a set of Climate Change Principles to ensure that climate change be considered in all decisions. Please consider potential impacts to Climate Change that the project/event may have.

7.2.1 Application for Funding - S Chisholm(Cont.)

 **Discretionary Funds
 Individual Application Form**

3 MEASURING THE SUCCESS YOUR PARTICIPATION AND FUTURE PLANS

3.1 What do you hope to achieve and what are your future plans?

Sport is not just about having fun, staying healthy and experiencing the highs and lows of winning. It's a Serious career path for women today and we believe with the right support , Skye has the goods to go all the way if she keeps working hard.

3.2 Which of the following of the Council's Community Outcomes applies? – tick the appropriate boxes

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Effective Leadership - Striving for our Future Wellbeing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Community Needs – A caring community
<input type="checkbox"/>	Quality Services – Excellent Value for Money
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Valuing our Environment - Sustaining for future generations
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reliable and Affordable Infrastructure – Meeting current and future needs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable Economic Development – Working in partnership

3.3 What will happen if:

- this funding application is unsuccessful or,
- only a portion of the funds are received or,
- a guarantee against loss is provided rather than a grant?

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The project will proceed as outlined
<input type="checkbox"/>	The project will be delayed (please specify expected length of delay): _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	The project will be downgraded
<input type="checkbox"/>	The project will be prevented from being carried out

4 OTHER COUNCIL FUNDING

4.1 What funding assistance has your group/organisation applied for **and/or** received from the Council over the past 3 years – either by way of a grant or 'in kind' support:

Year	Amount received	Purpose
		Not applicable

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5 FINANCIAL DETAILS OF YOUR REQUEST

Note: All figures to include GST (if any).

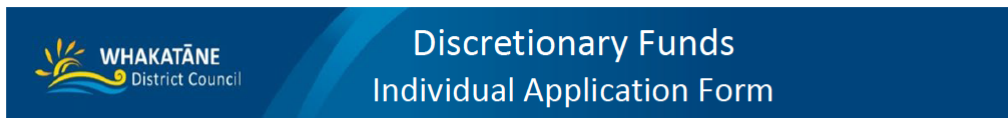
5.1 Please provide a breakdown of the budget for which you are seeking assistance:

PROJECT COSTS		PROJECT INCOME	
Description of cost*	Amount	Income source	Amount
Salaries / wages	\$	Applicant organisation's contribution	\$150
Postage/telephone/administration	\$	Fundraising	\$250
Advertising / promotion	\$	Donations / sponsorship	\$1250
Professional fees	\$	Entry fees	\$
Travel costs	\$5000	Value of donated material	\$
Project materials	\$	Other Grants applied for (please specify):	\$
Labour cost	\$		\$
Venue / equipment hire	\$		\$
Other costs (please specify):	\$1000	Other income (please specify):	\$
Boots , Headgear , Luggage Bag , spending Money	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	(a) \$6000	TOTAL INCOME	(b) \$1650

TOTAL FUNDING SHORT FALL
(i.e. 'a' minus 'b')

(c) \$ 4350

7.2.1 Application for Funding - S Chisholm(Cont.)



6 DECLARATION

I do solemnly and sincerely declare and acknowledge that:

- The details we have given in all sections of this application are true and correct to the best of our knowledge.
- We have the authority to commit our group to this application.
- All information contained in this application is subject to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and will be included in a **publicly available** agenda.
(If you do not wish for any personal details to be made public, please indicate this in your application. The information is held and administered by Whakatāne District Council in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 and Whakatāne District Councils Privacy Policy.)
- The Council may collect from third parties any information it deems necessary about the applicant or the application.
- A declaration of expenditure and results report is required once the event has taken place.

Name:	Adrienne Gardiner
Signature:	Arg
Date:	16/10/2024
Any personal details to withhold:	Applying on behalf of my daughter Skye Chisholm

7 CHECKLIST

Please complete the following checklist to ensure you have completed the application process and attached all necessary information:

- ✓ All sections of this form have been completed
- ✓ You have attached a bank generated deposit slip verifying your bank account details
- ✓ You have attached information on your plans, costings or quotes for your expenses
- ✓ You have made a copy of this application for your future reference

7.2.1 Application for Funding - S Chisholm(Cont.)



Manager: Kiri Karekare
Ph: [REDACTED]
Email: [REDACTED]

Coach: Te Ohorere Milosevic
Ph: [REDACTED]

09/10/2024

CONGRATULATIONS

On Behalf of Te Teko U14 Girls, we would like to congratulate One of our own - Skye Chisholm for being selected by Whakarewarewa Rugby Club to play in the U16z Hawaii International Rugby 10z Competition held at Kapiolani Park, Honolulu Hawaii from the 17th to the 19th April 2025.

There are costs of \$5000 for each player; this will cover all expenses e.g. Flights, Accommodation, Food, Playing Strip etc.

To help Skye Achieve her Goals, we would appreciate any support from her Iwi & Whanau.

Her journey from now looks like this:

- Fundraisers
- Preparing for Campaign
- Training
- Tournament



Below are Skye's Account Details:

Account name: Skye Chisholm

Account Number: [REDACTED]

Naku Noa
Te Teko U14z Management



7.2.2 Application for Funding - EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team

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7.2.2 Application for Funding - EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team(Cont.)



Application Form - Organisation

All sections must be completed and supporting material attached to the back of the form (see section 8 Checklist). More information can be found on our website www.whakatane.govt.nz or by contacting our Governance Support Advisors on (07) 306 0500.

Completed applications must be sent to: Chief Executive
Whakatane District Council
Private Bag 1002
Whakatane 3158

WHICH COMMUNITY BOARD ARE YOU APPLYING TO?	
For each project or service, you may apply to ONE of the following discretionary funds only:	
 Rangitāiki Community Board	 Tāneatua Community Board
 Murupara Community Board	Note Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board has a different form – see website for a copy

HELPFUL INFORMATION BEFORE FILLING OUT THE FORM
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ No retrospective funding applications will be considered▪ Supporting documentation on how you calculated your costs is required to justify the amount sought▪ Applications will be considered at the next appropriate Community Board meeting▪ The project must be held within the community board area you are seeking funding for▪ The Community Board has the option to collaborate with other Boards in the joint funding of major projects▪ Grants of up to \$1,000 may be considered to support groups attending international or national events▪ Boards generally lean towards funding an annual or biannual event once, but reserve the right to consider each one on a case by case basis▪ A 'guarantee against loss' may be offered to support an event that may require either seeding or back up finance – this is to give you confidence that funds up to the value offered will be available following the event if it runs at a loss▪ Applicants will be invited to attend the Public Forum at the commencement of the Board meeting the application will be considered at to provide a brief overview of the application. You will be notified of the time and date prior to the meeting.▪ If successful, applicants will be required to use the relevant Community Board logo on advertising material and other items associated with the event or project to acknowledge the grant made▪ A declaration of expenditure and project report is required once the project has been completed▪ Funds not uplifted within six months from the allocation date will lapse▪ Applications are accepted throughout the year subject to funding availability

7.2.2 Application for Funding - EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team(Cont.)



1 CONTACT DETAILS

1.1 Name of your organisation: EBOP Diamonds Women's Softball Team

Phone: 0210 545 660	Fax:
Email: [REDACTED]	Website:
Postal address for correspondence: [REDACTED]	

1.2 Name of principal contact: Vanessa Peka

Position held in group: Coach/Player

Phone (day): [REDACTED]	Fax:
Mobile: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]

1.3 Name of secondary contact: Taare Wilson

Position held in group: Coach

Phone (day):	Fax:
Mobile: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]

2 ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION

2.1 How long has your organisation been operating? 7 years

2.2 What are your group's main objectives and activities?

EBOP Diamonds Softball is a sporting organisation that endeavours to promote, support and guide wahine of all ages to learn and play Softball in a safe and inclusive environment. The team is made up of players who reside in Eastern Bay of Plenty living in the Whakatane and Rangitaiki Plains Districts.

2.3 Is your group GST registered? No Yes Yes, GST No*: ____/____/____

7.2.2 Application for Funding - EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team(Cont.)



3 ABOUT YOUR FUNDING REQUEST

3.1 Please provide a title for the project, service, event proposal for which you are seeking funding (approx 8 words):

3.2 Give a brief description of the project, service, event proposal for which you are seeking funding (if you have a separate project plan or require more space, please list the key points here and attach a full description of your proposal):

EBOP Diamonds Women’s Softball Team are seeking funding to support the team with costs towards hosting a Competition Day on Saturday, 14th December 2024.

We are hoping to have a ‘Give It a Go’ session with tamariki from the Rangitaiki Plains Kura – Edgecumbe Primary, Otakiri, Thornton, Te Kura o Te Teko and Te Mahoe during the morning. A panui will go out to the Kura to see if they are interested.

3.3 How long does the project, service or proposal run? Starts: Saturday, 14th December 2024

Ongoing: Finishes: Saturday, 14th December 2024

3.4 Funding Description – tick the appropriate boxes

- Provision of seeding funding for a community event
- Support for a Community Project
- Purchase of works of art for public reserves
- Project associated with youth or the elderly
- Facility development or upgrade - including property owned by community organisations
- Pride and beautification project within the community
- Board generated project, event or initiative
- Promotion and advertising
- Attendance at National or International Competition

3.5 The Whakatāne District Council has adopted a set of Climate Change Principles to ensure that climate change be considered in all decisions. Please consider potential impacts to Climate Change that the project/event may have.

7.2.2 Application for Funding - EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team(Cont.)



4 MEASURING THE SUCCESS YOUR PROJECT, SERVICE OR EVENT PROPOSAL

4.1 Show us how you will measure that your project, service or event proposal is successful by outlining the benefits to the community

The EBOP Diamonds Women’s Softball provides an opportunity for women to learn and experience softball in a competitive league. Our team helps with implement extra fitness into their daily lifestyles.

Helps encourage all players to participate in a long-established softball competition in WBOP

The team supports all different levels of softball and is lead by a passionate group of people with a continued drive to share their experience with wahine/players of all ages.

The Competition Day on Saturday, 14th December 2024 will involve 18 Competition Teams – 11 Women’s and 7 Men’s Teams. With an approximate numbers of 14 and a minimum of 9 Players per Team attending.

We will be hosting this Competition Day at the Edgecumbe Domain with the support of the Edgecumbe Sports Club. Our Local Club and Rangitaiki Plains Schools will benefit from this day.

4.2 Which of the following of the Council’s Community Outcomes applies? – tick the appropriate boxes

Effective Leadership - Striving for our Future Wellbeing

Community Needs – A caring community

Quality Services – Excellent Value for Money

Valuing our Environment - Sustaining for future generations

Reliable and Affordable Infrastructure – Meeting current and future needs

Sustainable Economic Development – Working in partnership

4.3 What will happen to the project if:

- this funding application is unsuccessful or,
- only a portion of the funds are received or,
- a guarantee against loss is provided rather than a grant?

The project will proceed as outlined

The project will be delayed
 (please specify expected length of delay): _____

The project will be downgraded

The project will be prevented from being carried out

7.2.2 Application for Funding - EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team(Cont.)



5 FINANCIAL DETAILS OF YOUR PROJECT, SERVICE OR PROPOSAL

Note: All figures to include GST (if any).

Please provide a breakdown of the budget for the project, service or proposal for which you are seeking assistance:

PROJECT COSTS		PROJECT INCOME	
Description of cost*	Amount	Income source	Amount
Salaries / wages	\$	Applicant organisation's contribution	\$
Postage/telephone/administration	\$	Fundraising	\$
Advertising / promotion	\$	Donations / sponsorship	\$
Professional fees	\$	Entry fees	\$
Travel costs	\$	Value of donated material	\$
Project materials	\$	Other Grants applied for (please specify):	\$
Labour cost	\$		\$
Venue / equipment hire	\$250.00		\$
Other costs (please specify):	\$1000.00	Other income (please specify)	\$
Catering for 100+ Players (Meal for after games)	\$	We are going to run a raffle to help with costs. Approx. Profit \$300.00	\$300.00
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	(a) \$1250.00	TOTAL INCOME	(b) \$950.00

TOTAL FUNDING SHORT FALL
 (i.e. 'a' minus 'b')

(c) \$ 950.00

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6 OTHER COUNCIL FUNDING

Note: All figures to include GST (if any).

What funding assistance has your group/organisation applied for **and/or** received from the Council over the past 3 years – either by way of a grant or “in kind” support:

Year	Amount received	Purpose
2024	\$2000.00	To help with costs towards purchasing new playing equipment and uniforms.

7 DECLARATION

We the undersigned do solemnly and sincerely declare and acknowledge that:

- The details we have given in all sections of this application are true and correct to the best of our knowledge.
- We have the authority to commit our group to this application.
- All information contained in this application is subject to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and will be included in a **publicly available** agenda.
(If you do not wish for any personal details to be made public, please indicate this in your application. The information is held and administered by Whakatāne District Council in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 and Whakatāne District Councils Privacy Policy.)
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Name:	Vanessa Peka
Position held in group:	Coach/Player
Signature:	V.Peka
Date:	01/11/2024
Any personal details to withhold:	No
Name:	Taare Wilson
Position held in group:	Coach
Signature:	[Redacted]
Date:	02/11/2024
Any personal details to withhold:	No.

7.2.2 Application for Funding - EBOP Diamond Women's Softball Team(Cont.)



8 CHECKLIST

Please complete the following checklist to ensure you have completed the application process and attached all necessary information:

- All sections of this form have been completed
- Read the funding description and ticked the appropriate category
- You have attached a bank generated deposit slip verifying your bank account details
- You have attached a separate copy of your project plan where one has been developed
- You have attached quotes for expenses for your project, service or event proposal where these have been obtained
- You have attached a copy of your latest audited accounts or balance sheet or, if you are a new group, a statement of estimated income and expenditure for your first year
- The declaration form has been signed by two members of your organisation that have the authority to do so
- You have made a copy of this application for your future reference

We did receive \$2000.00 from the WOCB to help with the purchase of New Equipment (Catchers Gears, Match Balls, 6 x Batting Helmets and Team Gear Bag), Printed Playing Tops x 15 and Association Fees.

As we have 8 players who reside in the Rangitaiki Plains area and our Competition Day will be held in Edgcumbe – we thought we would apply to the Rangitaiki Community Board.

We did look at other funding; Sports Bay of Plenty – Tu Manawa, but as we are not part of a Legal Entity as such we are not eligible to apply. But, hopefully be able to connect or join with the Edgcumbe Sports Club for the 2025/2026 Season and moving forward.

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24/10/2024, 12:00

mail.com - Meal quote

E.B.P. Diamonds
Woman Softball

ORDER No. 121

No. E [REDACTED]

M
Edgecumbe Sports club
in - Kitchen.

TAX INVOICE
PURCHASE ORDER
STATEMENT

DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Provide meal 14.12.24 E.B.P. Diamonds soft ball Tournament.	100		1,000 00
Club hire all day.			250 00

G.S.T. Reg. No. [REDACTED]

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Acc Edgecumbe
Ruaha
[REDACTED]

SUB TOTAL 1250 00
G.S.T. ✓
TOTAL \$ 1250 00

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8 Chairperson and Sub-Committee Reports

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8.1 RCB Chairperson Report – November 2024



To: **Rangitāiki Community Board**

Meeting Date: **Wednesday, 27 November 2024**

Submitted by: **L Waaka / RCB Chairperson**

Reference:

1. FROM THE CHAIR

E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e ngā karangatanga maha, tēnā koutou katoa.

1.1. Acknowledgements

Acknowledging a National Legacy

It is with deep respect and aroha that I acknowledge the passing of Sir Robert Gillies, a significant leader and the last physical link to the 28th Māori Battalion. His legacy is one of immense courage, service, and dedication, and his contributions to our people and country will never be forgotten.

As we reflect on his life and the enduring spirit of the 28th Māori Battalion, we are reminded of the collective strength and unity they exemplified, a spirit that continues to inspire and guide us today. 'Kia maumahara tonu tātau ki a rātau'

We will remember them!

Remembering a Community Leader

On behalf of the Rangitāiki Community Board, I acknowledge with great sadness the recent passing of Diane Yalden, long-serving Chair of the Tāneatua Community Board. Diane's unwavering dedication to her community touched countless lives, leaving behind a legacy of service and compassion that will not be forgotten. Our heartfelt thoughts are with Diane's whānau (family) and friends, her fellow Board Members, and her Council colleagues during this difficult time - may you find strength and comfort in the support of those around you and in the cherished memories of your loved ones.

1.2. Celebrating our Communities

Our Rangitāiki communities have recently been blessed with some incredible events that have brought us together in competition, celebration and connection. A particular highlight was the Ngāti Awa Te Toki Kapahaka festival held over labour weekend, where the talent and dedication of hapū shone brightly. Congratulations to Ngāti Hāmua for taking out first place, Ngā Maihi for their impressive second-place finish, and Te Pahipoto for placing third. All of these groups proudly representing their whānau and hapū from within our Rangitāiki rohe. To all the organisers involved, the performers and their supporters, congratulations on this well-deserved recognition. Your tireless commitment, discipline, and sacrifices to represent your whānau, hapū, and iwi are truly inspiring.

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We have also been fortunate to enjoy several successful community events in recent months, thanks to the outstanding efforts of Bluelight Matatā and Bluelight Edgumbe, whose dedication to organising and hosting events has created wonderful opportunities for our communities to come together and enjoy the festivities. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, I am grateful to each and everyone of you who contributed your time, energy, and expertise to these events. Your hard work and passion have made a lasting and positive impact on our communities.

1.3. Looking Ahead

As the year draws to a close, we find ourselves wrapping up key projects and looking ahead to new opportunities. Our final efforts for the year have included preparing submissions for [Our Places: Eastern Bay Spatial Plan](#) and the [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy](#). I am pleased to share that our 2022 – 2025 Strategic Plan is now in its final draft stage, which I will be seeking Rangitāiki Community Board members formal approval at our upcoming meeting. Once finalised, it will be published on the Council's website for our community to access and engage with.

I look forward to reconnecting with our fellow Community Board members and councillors at our final meeting of the year in December; the combined Community Board event. This will be a wonderful opportunity to reflect on our collective achievements and plan for the future.

I would also like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to you, the Rangitāiki community members, for your unwavering support and dedication. To my fellow Board members, our tireless Councillors, and our exceptional Governance Support team, Susan and Frank. Thank you for your commitment, guidance, and collaboration throughout the year.

Although it is only November, as this is my final written report for the year, I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe, joyful, and restful festive season. May it be a time of connection, reflection, and renewal for all.

'Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.'
With your food basket and my food basket, the people will thrive.

2. ACTIVITY/ENGAGEMENT

5 December	Manawahe District Hall Committee <i>Assigned RCB rep – Ross Gardiner</i>
6 November	Awakaponga Hall <i>Assigned RCB rep – Heemi Brown</i>
15 October	Edgumbe Collective <i>Assigned RCB rep - Clive McIndoe</i>
5 November	Te Teko Residents Association <i>Assigned RCB rep - Pete Falwasser</i>
13 November	Edgumbe Development & Improvement Team (E.D.I.T) <i>Assigned RCB rep - Leeann Waaka</i>
12 November	Matatā Residents Association Meeting <i>Assigned RCB rep – Peter Flowerday</i>

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3 December	Combined Community Board event
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3. RECOMMENDATIONS - *TOHUTOHU AKIAKI*

1. THAT the RCB Chairperson Report – November 2024 be **received**; and
2. THAT the Board **approve** the final draft Rangitāiki Community Board Strategic Plan 2022 – 2025.

Attached to this Report:

- Appendix A – Final draft Rangitāiki Community Board Strategic Plan 2022-2025

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Rangitāiki Community Board Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Approved November 2024

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 areas. 12



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Rangitāiki Community Board Members

2023-2026	NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS
	Chairperson Leeann Waaka (Ngāpuhi) Edgecumbe E. leeann.waaka76@gmail.com M. 021 674 472
	Deputy Chairperson Ross Gardiner Edgecumbe / Ōtākiri E. rossg.submission@gmail.com M.
	Gavin Dennis – Councillor Matatā E. gavin.dennis@whakatane.govt.nz M. 027 327 0597
	Peter Falwasser (Te Arawa, Tainui, Mataatua) Matatā E. peter.falwasser@gmail.com P. 020 4119 1609
	Heemi Brown (Ngāti Awa, Tuwharetoa) Te Teko E. puarity@gmail.com M. 021 147 4342
	Clive McIndoe Edgecumbe E. M. clivemcindoe@xtra.co.nz
	Peter Flowerday Matatā M. 027 828 8186 E. potolyn@xtra.co.nz

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Introduction – *Kupu whakataki*

Community boards were created by the local government reforms in 1989 and are designed to bring government closer to communities. As of 2022, there are 110 community boards that operate in both urban and rural areas within local authorities throughout New Zealand. Elected every three years, alongside other esteemed officials, the board members bear the invaluable responsibility of representing and advocating for their local constituents. In entrusting these individuals with their votes, the community has bestowed upon them not only the power to make decisions on their behalf but also the privilege of exercising strong and compassionate community leadership.

The Rangitāiki Community Board is a dedicated and vital part of our local governance structure, with its responsibilities and powers delegated by the Whakatāne District Council. At the heart of our mission is the commitment to making local government more accessible to the residents of the Rangitāiki ward. We take pride in being the voice and advocate for our vibrant community, ensuring that the unique needs and aspirations of our residents are heard and addressed. By championing 'the local' in local government, we strive to create a sense of belonging and empowerment among our constituents. Our board plays a pivotal role in helping the Council navigate the diverse challenges and opportunities present in our communities. Additionally, we work diligently to raise awareness among ratepayers about essential services, pressing issues, and upcoming events that directly impact their lives. Together, we are dedicated to building a stronger and more connected Rangitāiki community.

As detailed in [Clause 52](#) of the Local Government Act 2002, the role of a community board is to:

- a. Represent, and act as an advocate for, the interests of the community.
- b. Consider and report on all matters referred to it by Council, or any matter of interest or concern to the community.
- c. Maintain an overview of services provided by the Council within the community.
- d. Prepare an annual submission to the Council for expenditure within the community.
- e. Communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community.
- f. Undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the Council.

Our ward – *Tō mātou rohe*

The Rangitāiki Community Board is all about celebrating the unique communities that make our ward so special. Rangitāiki includes Poroporo, Paroa, Awakeri, Te Mahoe, Te Teko, Mapou, Edgecumbe, Manawahe, Matatā, Okorero (Thornton), Onepū, Braemar, Ōtākiri, Awakaponga and Pikowai. Each of these communities has its own character, way of life, and strengths, and together they bring a rich mix of cultures, natural resources, and job opportunities to our area.

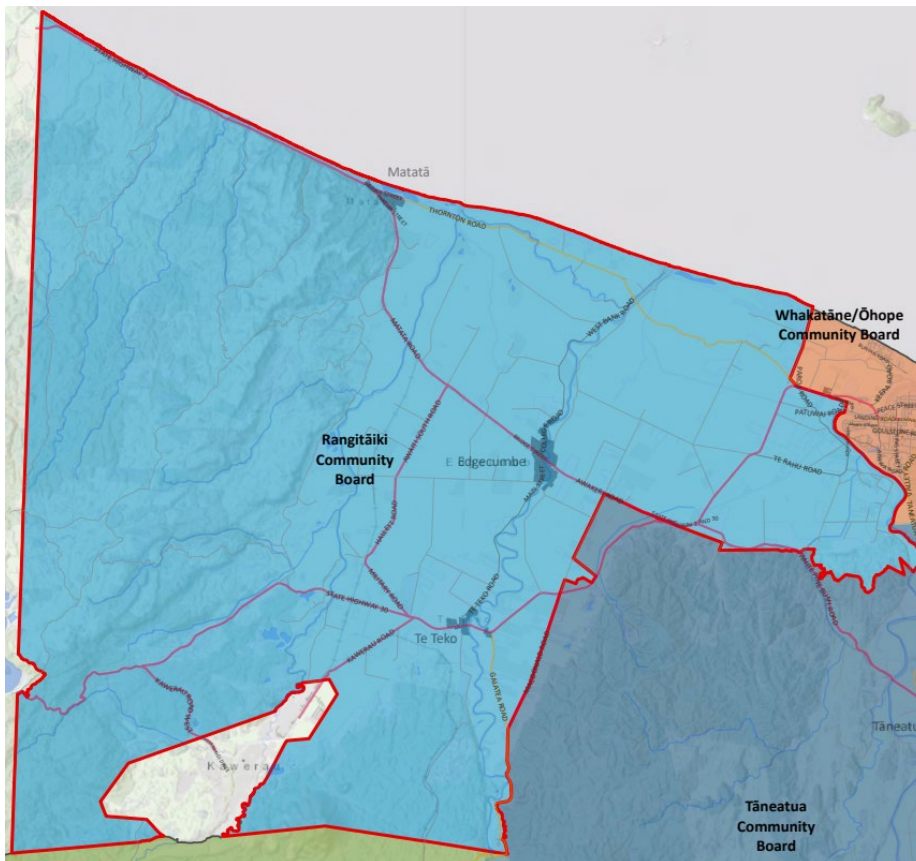
Our goal is simple: to respect and embrace what makes each community different. We know that to truly serve the people in our ward, we need to listen to what each community wants and address the specific challenges they face. By doing this, we hope to create a strong sense of unity and make sure everyone feels included and valued across the Rangitāiki ward. We're committed to working together to build a future where every community has the support it needs to thrive.

The Board meets typically every 7 weeks at 5:30 pm on a Wednesday evening.

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Map of boundaries – *Mahere rohe*



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Our vision – *Tō mātou tirohanga*

"Nā tō tātou whakawhiti i te rā, ka whakatutuki tātou i ngā moemoeā."
"Together, we weave the future we dream of."

Our history – *Tō mātou hītori*

DISCLAIMER: The following information represents the Board's interpretation of the history of the Rangitāiki. It is not definitive and reflects the Board's views only.

The cultural history of Rangitāiki is deeply connected to Ngāti Awa, the tangata whenua (indigenous people) of this region. Ngāti Awa's roots here go back centuries, woven into the rich heritage of Māori culture. The name "Rangitāiki" itself holds meaning: "Rangi" (sky) and "taiki" (long spear), reflecting Ngāti Awa's skills in celestial navigation, guiding their ancestors across the Pacific Ocean. Communities thrived on the fertile lands and abundant waters. Today, Ngāti Awa's traditions, stories, and spiritual ties to the land remain central to Rangitāiki, honouring their role as enduring kaitiaki (guardians) of this cherished landscape.

Our direction – *Tō mātou ahunga*

"Whiria te ara o Rangitāiki, ka whakarauika, ka whakawhanaungatanga, ka whakapau kaha."
"Weaving the path of Rangitāiki, we come together, we connect, we strengthen."

In essence, the Rangitāiki strategic plan provides us with the critical guidance needed to align our efforts, resources, and energies, ensuring that our communities dreams and aspirations become a tangible reality, enriching the lives of all who call Rangitāiki home.

Treating the Strategic Plan as a living document promotes transparency and accountability by allowing for regular review and updates, ensuring that progress is tracked, and adjustments are made as needed.



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Pou Tuatahi – Focus Area 1

TANGATA ORA - SOCIAL NEEDS & WELL BEING:

Vibrant Communities of Rangitāiki

OUR OBJECTIVES	OUR ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
<p>Active, Healthy and Safe communities</p> <p><i>Support and promote our communities' activities, events.</i></p> <p><i>Identify new opportunities that support the wellbeing and growth of our communities.</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Allocate discretionary funds to bolster local community programs, events, and activities. 2) Support the annual National Volunteer Recognition Week to express gratitude towards our community volunteers. 3) Champion and provide support for locally driven events as they emerge. 4) Maintain backing for endeavours and initiatives that foster community readiness and resilience in the face of natural disasters. 5) Actively seek chances to aid during national events within our jurisdiction. 6) Conduct a thorough inquiry into the accessibility and availability of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) across our Rangitāiki communities. 7) Facilitate collaborative project prospects and events through the Combined Community Board, in alignment with our community objectives and strategies. 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 / YEAR 3 (2023 – 2025)</p> <p>AS REQUIRED</p>
<p>Connecting and Communicating with our Communities:</p> <p><i>Through a centralised communication portal tool, we are able to reach all sectors of our communities and keep them well informed and connected</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Facilitate a consultation with WDC Communications personnel to acquire insights and direction on establishing a unified communication hub, incorporating effective strategies for leveraging social media platforms. Monitor content on the RCB Facebook page and provide timely and suitable responses. Ensure centralised administration and uphold uniformity. 2) Explore alternative communication channels present within our communities. This exploration will furnish additional avenues for disseminating information to our communities as needed. 3) Update and monitoring of RCB Social Media 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 (2023 – 2024)</p>

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<p>Engaging and representing our communities:</p> <p><i>Connecting and building relationships with each of our communities, to provide an opportunity for our board to share and obtain a greater knowledge and understanding of our community's needs, goals and aspirations</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Organise collaborative board meetings to take place throughout our Rangitāiki Ward within designated localities. 2) Actively interacting with our communities, our objective is to discern their requirements, objectives, and aspirations. This will facilitate us, as a board, in determining how best to provide assistance to our communities. 3) We commit to advocating for our communities by engaging in representation and submitting proposals to both Councils during the Long-Term Plan (LTP) and Annual Plan deliberations. 4) Collaborate with local communities to assist and promote the development of their individual Community Plans. 5) Facilitate our presence and participation in locally organised community meetings. 6) Enhance member participation in meetings of the Combined Community Board. 7) Enhance community engagement by actively participating in local events and programs, particularly those that contribute to the advancement of our communities' well-being. 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 / YEAR 3 (2023 - 2025)</p>
<p>Supporting and empowering our youth of Rangitāiki</p> <p><i>Through opportunities which empower, flourish and promote youth engagement</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Champion the cause of our community's young population by presenting a proposal to the WDC aimed at formulating a youth strategy. 2) Explore potential avenues for implementing mentoring and leadership initiatives tailored to the needs of our local youth. 3) Recognise, nurture and support emerging leaders within Rangitāiki i.e. sponsorship of Mayoral Youth Awards 	<p>AS OPPORTUNITIES ARISE</p>



‘Whakarongo ki te reo o te whenua, ka kitea te ara whakararuru o Rangitāiki.’
Listen to the voice of the land, and you will find the path to harmonise Rangitāiki.

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Pou Tuarua – Focus Area 2

PAKIHI ORA - ECONOMIC NEEDS & WELL BEING:

Thriving, well supported local businesses

OUR OBJECTIVES	OUR ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
<p>Economic Growth of our Rural Community</p> <p><i>Supporting, promoting and advocating on behalf of our local businesses</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Facilitate the dissemination of insights from WDC, EPIC, Eastern Bay Chamber of Commerce, Toi EDA, Farmers Association, Tourism, and Innovation Industry to bolster our community's enterprises, including initiatives such as the "Buy Local" campaign. 2) Support emerging endeavors that foster innovation in our business sectors. 3) Develop Rangitāiki business contact database 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 / YEAR 3 (2023 – 2025)</p>



‘Ka whakatipu te hua i te whenua, ka whakatipu te haukāinga ki Rangitāiki.’
As the fruit of the land thrives, so too does the prosperity of Rangitāiki.

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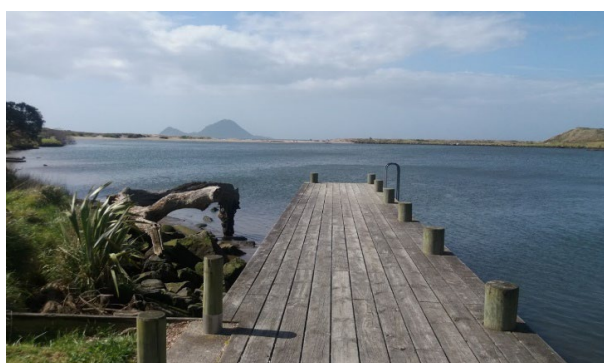


Pou Tuatoru – Focus Area 3

WHENUA ORA - ENVIRONMENTAL NEEDS & WELL BEING

Potential of Land and Water within our Rangitāiki Ward

OUR OBJECTIVES	OUR ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
<p>Environmental Sustainability</p> <p><i>Identify opportunities that support positive use and care of our significant environmental and cultural sites/natural resources – with the aim to protect and retain</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Participate in Rangitāiki ward-specific environmental awareness gatherings. 2) Seek opportunities to work in collaboration with BOPRC, DOC, Te Runanga o Ngāti Awa, Ngāti Rangitīhi, Ngāti Tūwharetoa Rangitāiki Hapū Coalition and other groups to: 3) Foster initiatives that enhance the recognition of the Rangitāiki's important environmental and cultural landmarks and resources. 4) Endorse and support community-driven endeavours and events aimed at connecting, protecting and nurturing Te Taiao (our natural environment) 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 / YEAR 3 (2023– 2026)</p>
<p>Infrastructure Projects</p> <p><i>Identify and advocate for improvements needed including opportunities that enhance community infrastructure and facilities</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Engage in active representation during the Local Council's Long-Term Plan (LTP) and Annual Plan Submission process. Our focus will be on safeguarding and enhancing our community's natural resources, valuable assets, and facilities. 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 / YEAR 3 (2023 – 2026)</p>



'Missing You' - Photo credit: Corina Niven

“E taura whiri kotahi mai anō te kopunga tae noa ki te pu au”
“From the source to the mouth of the sea, all things are joined together as one”

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Pou Tuawha – Focus Area 4

AHUERA ORA - CULTURAL NEEDS & WELL BEING:

Uniting through opportunities that provide understanding, sharing and learning

OUR OBJECTIVES	OUR ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
<p>Growing our Cultural Identity</p> <p><i>Through support and active participation in opportunities that help grow our knowledge and understanding of our culturally diverse communities</i></p>	<p>Pursue, advocate for, and endorse initiatives that recognize and commemorate all segments of our varied and multicultural societies through:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Acknowledging, protecting and celebrating foundational cultural histories and identities of Mana Whenua 2) Recognising, celebrating and protecting culturally significant sites /resources within Rangitāiki. 3) Inclusion into the Aotearoa Reorua program, implementation of bilingual signage and support for tohutō in signage, where appropriate. 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 / YEAR 3 (2023 – 2026)</p>



Te Kupenga Otaramainuku in Te Teko – Sourced from Waatea News

‘He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata, he tangata, he tangata.’

What is the most important thing in the world? It is people, it is people, it is people.

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Pou Tuarima - Focus Area 5

WHAKAPIKI PŪKENGĀ - DEVELOPMENT

Development of the Community Board Elected Members relates across all the focus areas.

OUR OBJECTIVES	OUR ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
<p>Support Development of Board Members</p> <p><i>Support our Board Members to undertake appropriate upskilling and training</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Facilitate collective participation of Board Members in social gatherings/events to foster team cohesion and relationship development. 2) Ensure active presence of Board Members at Zone 2 meetings and LGNZ conferences. 3) Explore options for enhancing the skill sets of interested board members to bolster their effectiveness in fulfilling their roles. 	<p>YEAR 1 / YEAR 2 / YEAR 3 (2023 - 2025)</p>



Reflections on Rangitāiki Awa – Photographer Joelle Walker

"Whāia te mātauranga, me kōkiri koe ki te pae tawhiti."
"Seek knowledge and be prepared to go beyond the distant horizon."

8.2 RCB Ward Councillor Report – November 2024

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To: **Rangitāiki Community Board**

Date: **Wednesday, 27 November 2024**

Author: **Councillor G Dennis**

Reference: **A2788626**

1. Reason for the report - Te Take mō tēnei rīpoata

The report is to provide an overview of the activities undertaken and meetings attended since the last meeting, ensuring members are informed.

I also give my apologies for attendance at the RCB meeting.

2. Recommendation - *Tohutohu akiaki*

THAT the RCB Ward Councillor Report – November 2024 be **received**.

3. Meetings

Manawahe District Society Incorporated Meeting	
Thursday, 3 October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The lower Matahī Road currently had been closed by the Rotorua Lakes District Council while road widening and resealing was carried out. Concerns were raised regarding the lower Manawahe Road (on the lake side), as it was known to have slips and flooding in heavy rain. I will be contacting WDC Roading Manager requesting this road receive extra care to keep it open for locals who work in Rotorua, which would avoid a significant detour for those living at the top of Matahī Road.• The Lake Manawahe Road repairs to receive a permanent reseal before the end of the year. At this point the culvert will not be installed.• The intersection at the bottom of Manawahe Road/ Caverhill Road at Awakaponga will be realigned, moved slightly to the north, and the centre line realigned. A give way sign may be installed by the end of the year and should make the intersection safer. The sign will be located either at the end of Caverhill Road, or on the downward approach of Manawahe Road to the intersection.

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Te Teko Residents Association (TTRA)	
Tuesday, 29 October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advised TTRA that all the permissions for the new bus shelter at Te Māpou were now in place and it should be installed before Christmas. • Council had agreed that it would maintain the footpaths on the State Highways within the urban limits in the district. Hence, the footpath between Te Teko and Te Māpou should be kept free of blackberry from now on. • The Parks and Reserve team have completed the work at Eivers Park; tennis post hole plugs and the equal depths of the netball posts. • Concerns were raised about the condition of Powells Road; the dip in the road approximately 300 metres from Grieves Road intersection. • It was queried if there was a minimum number of dogs allowed on a section without them having to be in kennels. • Request the pavilion gardens be looked after by the council gardening team.

Matatā Residents Association	
Tuesday, 12 November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great to see the Thornton Road closure open a month ahead of schedule; the complete closure allowed more work to be completed earlier and therefore also reducing costs. There was concern that the HT vehicles were using the detour around Griegs Road, instead of the using State Highway 2. • A discussion ensued about the purchase of Te Tahī Hills farm as a site for Matatā sewerage treatment station. • The public toilets at the Matatā Rugby and Sports Club were regularly cleaned by the contractor but were always locked. It was asked if a key be allocated to specified people, to open the toilet block for use when sports and events were taking place. • Murphy's Motor Camp entrance (part of the council reserve) has had metal put in the potholes, but more is required to bring it up to standard. Also, due to lack of mowing, there is less car parking now in the reserve.

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**Kia tau ki a tātou katoa
Te atawhai o tō tātou Ariki, a Ihu Karaiti
Me te aroha o te Atua
Me te whiwhingatahitanga
Ki te wairua tapu
Ake, ake, ake
Amine**

*May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all
Forever and ever
Amen*