

## TE HIKU COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT

**Member Name:** Sheryl Bainbridge  
**Subdivision:** Doubtless Bay  
**Date:** to 12 January 2021

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### REPORT

#### 1) Meetings

6 November – Board meeting

28 November – Combined Community Board meeting. Same as October meeting Hopefully a positive way forward will result at some stage. Abundantly clear where there is a disconnect between management and elected members.

Doubtless Bay Promotions end of year function

Meetings with various community members and Board Chair regarding boating facilities and associated parking

#### 2) Issues

Need for a footpath on Cable Bay Block Road due to significant development and the need to ensure pedestrian safety. I have had many approaches from members of the community. How do we get this on the matrix and how do we get the matrix changed to better incorporate pedestrian safety?

Northern Drainage – flood protection funded by rates imposed on locals and should not be in 3 Waters. Update required please.

Te Kao water – At our meeting in Te Kao prior to Christmas Board members were told that most of the community work, and in essential services such as food production – avocados, fishing, farming, berries etc., but the cost of providing water tanks would be an extra burden. What has the council decided to do to give this community a hand up? We all know what a precious resource water is becoming.

Rangitoto Reserve – the Board is still waiting for a report on what will be done to address the weed issue while protecting an historic pa site from further degradation. Has one-off funding of a management plan that will enable environmental groups to seek external funding been considered?

Funding for Mangonui Info Centre and Te Ahu. Bay of Islands-Whangaroa has 3 service centres, one i-site and 4 libraries. Kaikohe-Hokianga has 2 service centres, 2 libraries and 1 i-site. Te Hiku, with the second largest area and one of the fastest areas of development (Houhora and Doubtless Bay) has 1 service centre, 1 library and 1 i-site. The i-site is based in Te Ahu. Doubtless Bay is a destination where the Mangonui Information Centre statistics show that it has roughly the same number of visitors as Kaitaia i-site does. It received a funding grant from council last financial year. An i-site review is to be done but until this takes place I believe the funding of \$10,000 per annum should continue, as should funding for Te Ahu.

Swamp Palace – I believe that Mayor Carter and staff are doing to help this committee as the targeted rate proposal was not successful. However halls are a Board delegation

and the Board has not been updated. Can we be advised of the present position please.

Failure of staff to provide reports or agenda items – obviously a culture that starts from the top and still needs changing. No reflection on staff who work within parameters set by management.

**3) Resource Consents**

One application for a restaurant/bar at Coopers Beach

**4) Requests for Service**

Several.