



**Far North
District Council**



Te Kaunihera o Tai Tokerau ki te Raki

AGENDA

Extraordinary Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 27 April 2021

Time: 3.00 pm

Location: Virtually via Microsoft Teams

Membership:

Cr Felicity Foy - Chairperson

Mayor John Carter

Deputy Mayor Ann Court

Cr Dave Collard

Cr Mate Radich


Cr Rachel Smith

Cr Kelly Stratford

Cr John Vujcich

Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Chairperson Mike Edmonds

Te Hiku Community Board Chairperson Adele Gardner

 <p>Far North District Council <i>Te Kaitiaki o Tai Tokerau ki te Raki</i></p>	Authorising Body	Mayor/Council
	Status	Standing Committee
COUNCIL COMMITTEE	Title	Infrastructure Committee Terms of Reference
	Approval Date	7 May 2020
	Responsible Officer	Chief Executive

Purpose

The purpose of the Infrastructure Committee (the Committee) is to ensure cost effective, quality and sustainable infrastructure decisions are made to meet the current and future needs of Far North communities and that Councils infrastructure assets are effectively maintained and operated.

The Committee will review the effectiveness of the following aspects:

- Affordable core infrastructure to support healthy and sustainable living;
- Operational performance including monitoring and reporting on significant infrastructure projects
- Delivery of quality infrastructure and district facilities
- Financial spend and reprogramming of capital works
- Property and other assets

To perform his or her role effectively, each Committee member must develop and maintain his or her skills and knowledge, including an understanding of the Committee's responsibilities, Councils' infrastructure assets such as roading, three waters and district facilities.

Membership

The Council will determine the membership of the Infrastructure Committee.

The Infrastructure Committee will comprise of at least six elected members (one of which will be the chairperson).

Mayor Carter

Felicity Foy – Chairperson

Ann Court – Deputy Chairperson

Dave Collard

Kelly Stratford

John Vujcich

Mate Radich

Rachel Smith

Mike Edmonds

Adele Gardner

Non-appointed councillors may attend meetings with speaking rights, but not voting rights.

Quorum

The quorum at a meeting of the Infrastructure Committee is 5 members.

Frequency of Meetings

The Infrastructure Committee shall meet every 6 weeks, but may be cancelled if there is no business.

Power to Delegate

The Infrastructure Committee may not delegate any of its responsibilities, duties or powers.

Committees Responsibilities

The Committees responsibilities are described below:

Quality infrastructure and Facilities

- Assess and provide advice to Council on strategic issues relating to the provision of Council's infrastructural activities and district facilities
- Review, and recommend to Council, policy and strategies for the delivery of infrastructural asset services
- Monitor achievement of outcomes included in the Infrastructure Strategy and other infrastructure strategies eg District Transport Strategy
- Ensure that Council protects its investment in its infrastructural assets in accordance with accepted professional standards
- Monitor the risks, financial and operational performance of the Council's infrastructural activities and facilities
- Monitor major contract performance measures/key result areas (KRAs)

Significant Projects – spend, monitoring and reporting

- Monitor significant projects
- Approve budget overspend (above tolerance levels in the CE delegations) and any reprogramming of capex for a project or programme provided that:
 - The overall budget is met from savings
 - The overall budget for capex is not exceeded. Where this is not the case, the Committee must either:
 - Recommend to Council that additional funding is approved (outside the Annual Plan or Long Term Plan process), or
 - Recommend as part of the next round of Long Term Plan or Annual Plan process that the funding is considered for inclusion.
- Approve tenders and contracts provided they are:
 - Up to \$3 million,
 - in accordance with the current year's plan, whether that be Annual Plan or Long Term Plan, and
 - deemed low by the Significance and Engagement Policy

Compliance

- Ensure that operational functions comply with legislative requirements and Council policy

- Ensure that consents associated with Council's infrastructure are being met and renewals are planned for

Service levels (non regulatory)

- Recommend service level changes and new initiatives to the Long Term and Annual Plan processes.

Relationships

- Monitoring Council's relationship with the Northland Transportation Alliance
 - Receive quarterly performance reports
- Monitoring Council's relationship with the Far North Waters Alliance Partner

Property

- Recommend to Council the acquisition or disposal of assets.
- Approve new leases and lease renewals (of non-reserve land), in accordance with the current years' plan, whether that be Annual Plan or Long Term Plan.

Receive updates on changes to national and regional policies that impact on Council provision of infrastructure and where appropriate make recommendation to Council.

Rules and Procedures

Council's Standing Orders and Code of Conduct apply to all the committee's meetings.

Annual reporting

The Chair of the Committee will submit a written report to the Chief Executive on an annual basis. The review will summarise the activities of the Committee and how it has contributed to the Council's governance and strategic objectives. The Chief Executive will place the report on the next available agenda of the governing body.

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE - MEMBERS REGISTER OF INTERESTS

Name	Responsibility (i.e. Chairperson etc)	Declaration of Interests	Nature of Potential Interest	Member's Proposed Management Plan
Hon John Carter QSO	Board Member of the Local Government Protection Programme	Board Member of the Local Government Protection Program		
	Carter Family Trust			
Felicity Foy (Chair)	Flick Trustee Ltd	I am the director of this company that is the company trustee of Flick Family Trust that owns properties in Cable Bay, and Allen Bell Drive - Kaitaia.		
	Elbury Holdings Limited	This company is directed by my parents Fiona and Kevin King.	This company owns several dairy and beef farms, and also dwellings on these farms. The Farms and dwellings are located in the Far North at Kaimaumau, Bird Road/Sandhills Rd, Wireless Road/Puckey Road/Bell Road, the Awanui Straight and Allen Bell Drive.	
	Foy Farms Partnership	Owner and partner in Foy Farms - a farm on Church Road, Kaingaroa		
	Foy Farms Rentals	Owner and rental manager of Foy Farms Rentals for dwellings on Church Road, Kaingaroa and dwellings on Allen Bell Drive, Kaitaia, and property on North Road, Kaitaia, one title contains a cell phone tower.		
	King Family Trust	This trust owns several titles/properties at Cable Bay, Seaview Rd/State Highway 10 and Ahipara - Panorama Lane.	These trusts own properties in the Far North.	
	112 Commerce Street Holdings Ltd	Owner of commercial property in Commerce Street Kaitaia.		
	Foy Property Management Ltd	Owner of company that manages properties owned by Foy Farms		

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		Rentals and Flick Family Trust.		
	Previous employment at FNDC 2007-16	I consider the staff members at FNDC to be my friends		
	Shareholder of Coastline Plumbing NZ Limited			
Felicity Foy - Partner	Director of Coastline Plumbing NZ Limited			
	Friends with some FNDC employees			
Deputy Mayor Ann Court (Deputy)	Waipapa Business Association	Member		Case by case
	Warren Pattinson Limited	Shareholder	Building company. FNDC is a regulator and enforcer	Case by case
	Kerikeri Irrigation	Supplies my water		No
	District Licensing	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Top Energy Consumer Trust	Trustee	Crossover in regulatory functions, consenting economic development and contracts such as street lighting.	Declare interest and abstain from voting.
	Ann Court Trust	Private	Private	N/A
	Waipapa Rotary	Honorary member	Potential community funding submitter	Declare interest and abstain from voting.
	Properties on Onekura Road, Waipapa	Owner Shareholder	Any proposed FNDC Capital works or policy change which may have a direct impact (positive/adverse)	Declare interest and abstain from voting.
	Property on Daroux Dr, Waipapa	Financial interest	Any proposed FNDC Capital works or policy change which may have a direct impact (positive/adverse)	Declare interest and abstain from voting.
	Flowers and gifts	Ratepayer 'Thankyou'	Bias/ Pre-determination?	Declare to Governance
	Coffee and food	Ratepayers sometimes 'shout' food and beverage	Bias or pre-determination	Case by case
	Staff	N/A	Suggestion of not being impartial or pre-determined!	Be professional, due diligence, weigh the

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				evidence. Be thorough, thoughtful, considered impartial and balanced. Be fair.
	Warren Pattinson	My husband is a builder and may do work for Council staff		Case by case
Ann Court - Partner	Warren Pattinson Limited	Director	Building Company. FNDC is a regulator	Remain at arm's length
	Air NZ	Shareholder	None	None
	Warren Pattinson Limited	Builder	FNDC is the consent authority, regulator and enforcer.	Apply arm's length rules
	Property on Onekura Road, Waipapa	Owner	Any proposed FNDC capital work in the vicinity or rural plan change. Maybe a link to policy development.	Would not submit. Rest on a case by case basis.
David Collard	Snapper Bonanza 2011 Limited	45% Shareholder and Director		
	Trustee of Te Ahu Charitable Trust	Council delegate to this board		
Mate Radich	No form received			
Rachel Smith	Friends of Rolands Wood Charitable Trust.	Trustee.		
	Mid North Family Support.	Trustee.		
	Property Owner.	Kerikeri.		
	Friends who work at Far North District Council.			
	Kerikeri Cruising Club.	Subscription Member and Treasurer.		
	Vision Kerikeri	Financial Member		
Rachel Smith (Partner)	Property Owner.	Kerikeri.		
	Friends who work at Far North District Council.			
	Kerikeri Cruising Club.	Subscription Member.		
	Vision Kerikeri	Financial Member		
	Town and General Groundcare Limited	Director, Shareholder		

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Kelly Stratford	KS Bookkeeping and Administration	Business Owner, provides book keeping, administration and development of environmental management plans	None perceived	Step aside from decisions that arise, that may have conflicts
	Waikare Marae Trustees	Trustee	Maybe perceived conflicts	Case by case basis
	Bay of Islands College	Parent Elected Trustee	None perceived	If there was a conflict, I will step aside from decision making
	Karetu School	Parent Elected Trustee	None perceived	If there was a conflict, I will step aside from decision making
	Māori title land – Moerewa and Waikare	Beneficiary and husband is a shareholder	None perceived	If there was a conflict, I will step aside from decision making
	Sister is employed by Far North District Council			Will not discuss work/governance matters that are confidential
	Gifts - food and beverages	Residents and ratepayers may 'shout' food and beverage	Perceived bias or predetermination	Case by case basis
	Taumarere Counselling Services	Advisory Board Member	May be perceived conflicts	Should conflict arise, step aside from voting
	Sport Northland	Board Member	May be perceived conflicts	Should conflict arise, step aside from voting
Kelly Stratford - Partner	Chef and Barista	Opua Store	None perceived	
	Māori title land – Moerewa	Shareholder	None perceived	If there was a conflict of interest, I would step aside from decision making
John Vujcich	Board Member	Pioneer Village	Matters relating to funding and assets	Declare interest and abstain
	Director	Waitukupata Forest Ltd	Potential for council activity to directly affect its assets	Declare interest and abstain
	Director	Rural Service Solutions Ltd	Matters where council regulatory function impact of company services	Declare interest and abstain

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	Director	Kaikohe (Rau Marama) Community Trust	Potential funder	Declare interest and abstain
	Partner	MJ & EMJ Vujcich	Matters where council regulatory function impacts on partnership owned assets	Declare interest and abstain
	Member	Kaikohe Rotary Club	Potential funder, or impact on Rotary projects	Declare interest and abstain
	Member	New Zealand Institute of Directors	Potential provider of training to Council	Declare a Conflict of Interest
	Member	Institute of IT Professionals	Unlikely, but possible provider of services to Council	Declare a Conflict of Interest
Mike Edmonds	Chair	Kaikohe Mechanical and Historic Trust	Council Funding	Decide at the time
	Committee member	Kaikohe Rugby Football and Sports Club	Council Funding	Withdraw and abstain
Adele Gardner	N/A - FNDC Honorarium			
	Te Hiku Education Trust	Trustee		
	Te Ahu Charitable Trust	Trustee		
	ST Johns Kaitaia Branch	Trustee/ Committee Member		
	Te Hiku Sports Hub Committee	Committee Member		
	I know many FNDC staff members as I was an FNDC staff member from 1994-2008.			
Partner of Adele Gardner	N/A as Retired			

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will be held in the Virtually via Microsoft Teams on:
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1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA – OPENING PRAYER**2 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a Member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to Members to review the matters on the agenda and assess and identify where they may have a pecuniary or other conflict of interest, or where there may be a perception of a conflict of interest.

If a Member feels they do have a conflict of interest, they should publicly declare that at the start of the meeting or of the relevant item of business and refrain from participating in the discussion or voting on that item. If a Member thinks they may have a conflict of interest, they can seek advice from the Chief Executive Officer or the Team Leader Democracy Support (preferably before the meeting).

It is noted that while members can seek advice the final decision as to whether a conflict exists rests with the member.

3 DEPUTATION

No requests for deputations were received at the time of the Agenda going to print.

4 REPORTS

4.1 TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE FUND APPLICATIONS - APRIL 2021

File Number: A3160902

Author: David Clamp, Manager - Major and Recovery Projects

Authoriser: Andy Finch, General Manager - Infrastructure and Asset Management

TAKE PŪRONGO / PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To obtain approval for projects and associated local funding share for Tourism Infrastructure Funding (TIF) applications to be submitted to Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) for April 2021 round five funding round.

WHAKARĀPOPTIFOTO MATUA / EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- TIF provides a mechanism for Local Authorities to leverage funding to support tourism-based infrastructure development.
- The Far North District Council (FNDC) is a qualifying region and through input from the Infrastructure Asset Management team and from wider consultation, projects meeting the TIF funding criteria have been identified as candidates for the April 2021 round of applications.
- The TIF funding contribution is generally 50% of the project cost. The remainder is local share.
- There are usually two funding rounds, one in March and one in August. March 2020 Round five was delayed due to COVID-19 and has now opened.
- The current round opened on 12 April 2021 and closes on 30 April 2021. The letter from MBIE announcing the April funding round was dated 8 April 2021.
- Government have signalled that applications from Councils in Kaikōura, Mackenzie, Queenstown-Lakes, Fiordland, and South Westland will be prioritised in this funding round.

TŪTOHUNGA / RECOMMENDATION

That the Infrastructure Committee:

- approves the applications for funding included in the report “Tourism Infrastructure Fund Applications April 2021”.**
- approves the additional capital budget of up to \$643,000 for 2021/2022 to cover the local share required for any successful round five applications along with the cost of project management.**
- approves the additional operational budget for 2021/2022 in the sum of \$20,000 for the development of applications for future funding rounds.**
- delegates to the General Manager Infrastructure and Asset Management authorisation to sign the funding agreements and any non-material variations with the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment for successful round five applications.**

1) TĀHUHU KŌRERO / BACKGROUND

Round five of the TIF opened on 12 April 2021 after being rescheduled from March 2020 due to COVID-19. There was no advance notice given and staff had not anticipated this happening, particularly considering the extent of COVID-19 recovery funding made available over the last year.

There is only a limited window of opportunity to submit applications, with the funding round closing on 30 April 2021. Accordingly, this application will largely just reflect previous work undertaken prior to March 2020. No consultation has been undertaken with Community Boards beyond that previously undertaken prior to March 2020.

FNDC have been successful with applications in previous rounds and round five presents another opportunity for funding support. However, government have signalled that applications from Councils in Kaikōura, Mackenzie, Queenstown-Lakes, Fiordland, and South Westland will be prioritised in this funding round.

2) MATAPAKI ME NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA / DISCUSSION AND OPTIONS

The attachment to this paper details the currently funded projects and the proposed applications for April 2021. The latter will require a Council contribution as local share.

Staff resourcing for developing and delivering TIF applications has been recently through the engagement of external resources. There is no internal resource available to undertake this work. Accordingly, budget is being sought to support the delivery of successful round five applications along with operational budget to support the preparation of future bids.

The table below details the source of the applications being proposed for round five.

SMART CITIES: Smart Lighting (Wifi)	A March 2020 project. Provides the network structures to employ technology to help manage the servicing difficulties at Paihia and Russell during peak season. Identified through responsible camping reports and operational observations. Also aims to address MBIE interest in technology based projects. Focus Paihia supported.
SMART CITIES: Smart Bins	A March 2020 project. As above but with additional support from FNDC District Facilities to address peak season servicing and capacity issues.
Lake Manuwai Toilet	A March 2020 project. Identified by Councillor Smith and support by District Facilities.
Te Paki Stream Toilets	Original plan was to seal Te Paki Stream Road, which was in the top 3 Tourist roads. However, when revisiting the application Ngati Kuri said due to current visitor numbers already causing environmental concerns we should resolve infrastructure issues first, as a sealed road would bring even more visitors.
Cape Reinga Road (Te Paki i-Site) Dump Station	As above but also meets the need identified in Freedom Camping study for a dump station north of Houhora.
Sealing of Bayly Road (Waitangi Mountain Bike Park)	Bayly Road is ranked number one on the Northland Transport Alliance Far North Tourist/Dust Roads Matrix . The Waitangi Mountain Bike Park is attracting large visitor numbers and Bayly Road is unsealed. Focus Paihia supported.

Take Tūtohunga / Reason for the recommendation

To provide Elected Members with details of the proposed April 2021 applications to the Tourism Infrastructure Fund and to seek approval to submit those applications. To ensure that the local share and project management funding is available to support any successful bids and to develop future bids.

3) PĀNGA PŪTEA ME NGĀ WĀHANGA TAHUA / FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGETARY PROVISION

	Project	FY	FNDC	MBIE	Total
1	SMART CITIES: Smart Lighting (Wifi)	2021/22	\$ 93,153	\$ 93,153	\$ 186,306
2	SMART CITIES: Smart Bins	2021/22	\$ 53,763	\$ 53,763	\$ 107,525
3	Lake Manuwai Toilet	2021/22	\$ 86,840	\$ 86,840	\$ 173,680
4	Te Paki Stream Toilets	2021/22	\$ 128,150	\$ 128,150	\$ 256,300
5	Cape Reinga Road (Te Paki i-Site) Dump Station	2021/22	\$ 57,750	\$ 57,750	\$ 115,500
6	Sealing of Bayly Road (Waitangi Mountain Bike Park)	2021/22	\$ 222,750	\$ 222,750	\$ 445,500
			\$ 642,406	\$ 642,406	\$ 1,284,811

The table above details the cost estimates and potential funding sources for the April 2021 submission. A significant proportion of the FNDC contribution is unfunded and therefore if the bid is successful capital expenditure will be needed totaling \$643,000. This figure includes the cost of an external project manager to manage the delivery of any successful bid. A further operational sum of \$20,000 will be required to develop future submissions.

This sum will be needed in the 2021/2022 financial year and will therefore fall within the first year of the Long Term Plan.

ĀPITI HANGA / ATTACHMENTS

1. FNDC Tourism Infrastructure Fund April 2021 - A3161450 [↓](#) 

Hōtaka Take Ōkawa / Compliance Schedule:

Full consideration has been given to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 S77 in relation to decision making, in particular:

1. A Local authority must, in the course of the decision-making process,
 - a) Seek to identify all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision; and
 - b) Assess the options in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and
 - c) If any of the options identified under paragraph (a) involves a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water sites, waahi tapu, valued flora and fauna and other taonga.
2. This section is subject to Section 79 - Compliance with procedures in relation to decisions.

He Take Ōkawa / Compliance Requirement	Aromatawai Kaimahi / Staff Assessment
State the level of significance (high or low) of the issue or proposal as determined by the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy	Low degree of significance.
State the relevant Council policies (external or internal), legislation, and/or community outcomes (as stated in the LTP) that relate to this decision.	Not applicable.
State whether this issue or proposal has a District wide relevance and, if not, the ways in which the appropriate Community Board's views have been sought.	District wide.
State the possible implications for Māori and how Māori have been provided with an opportunity to contribute to decision making if this decision is significant and relates to land and/or any body of water.	As described in the document.
Identify persons likely to be affected by or have an interest in the matter, and how you have given consideration to their views or preferences (for example – youth, the aged and those with disabilities).	Not applicable.
State the financial implications and where budgetary provisions have been made to support this decision.	As detailed in the report.
Chief Financial Officer review.	Type here

TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE FUND APRIL 2021- ROUND 5



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About the Tourism Infrastructure Fund

The Tourism Infrastructure Fund is administered by MBIE and provides up to \$25 million annually to develop tourism-related infrastructure that supports regions facing pressure from tourism growth.

The fund aims to protect and enhance New Zealand's reputation both domestically and internationally. Supporting robust infrastructure contributes to quality experiences for visitors and maintains the social licence for the sector to operate.

The Tourism Infrastructure Fund is open to all local councils and not-for-profit community organisations that can demonstrate support from their local council.

Eligibility Criteria

The following criteria set out which types of projects are eligible for grants from the Tourism Infrastructure Fund.

- Only publicly available infrastructure used significantly by tourists is eligible.
- Projects need to be for new facilities, or enhancements. Like-for-like replacement will not be funded.
- Development of new attractions, accommodation, and commercial activity is not eligible.
- Projects must demonstrate that they do not compete with commercial activities in the region.
- Projects will not be eligible if seeking funding under \$25,000 (though a series of linked projects can be joined in one application).
- Projects already receiving funding from NZTA are not eligible.
- Councils must meet at least one of the following tests (now or within 5 years), priority will be given to councils that meet two or more of these tests:
 - Visitor: rating unit ratio >5
 - Revenue from tourism in the region <\$1 billion per annum
 - Local Government Finance Agency lending limits have been reached.

Applicants are expected to co-fund their project to the maximum extent they are able, and to a minimum of 50%.

Assessment Criteria

In summary, the key assessments criteria are:

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| • <i>Addresses Infrastructure capacity constraints</i> | • <i>Supports the attraction of visitors to a region</i> |
| • <i>Represents value for money</i> | • <i>Otherwise may not happen, or happen more slowly</i> |
| • <i>Other funding options have been investigated</i> | • <i>Applicant has maximised funding contribution</i> |
| • <i>The balance of visitor and resident demand</i> | |

In addition to these criteria each round will open with a priorities statement. The statement for the upcoming round five follows;

Tourism Infrastructure Fund – Round Five Priorities Statement

The Tourism Infrastructure Fund (TIF) provides financial support for local visitor-related public infrastructure where tourism (domestic and international) is placing pressure on, or potential growth is constrained by, existing infrastructure, and where the local community is unable to respond in a timely way without assistance.

New Zealand's regions and the tourism industry have been impacted by COVID-19. The regions of Kaikōura, Mackenzie, Queenstown-Lakes, Fiordland, and South Westland have been particularly hard hit. Round five of the TIF will ensure central government support and investment in local government infrastructure can continue over this uncertain time and help improve the visitor experience for Kiwis and international visitors when they return.

Government's priorities for Round Five

TIF applications are assessed against the TIF eligibility and assessment criteria agreed by Cabinet. Round Five will prioritise projects that demonstrate the need for additional visitor-related public infrastructure. This includes capital works required for infrastructure to manage responsible camping.

Applications are invited from **all** councils.

Applications from councils in Kaikōura, Mackenzie, Queenstown-Lakes, Fiordland, and South Westland will be prioritised.

Projects should also:

- provide innovative approaches to infrastructure needs
- provide sustainable investment which ensures that visitors contribute to the ongoing costs of infrastructure
- use best endeavours to construct any infrastructure out of carbon-neutral building materials
- make use of technology where possible
- retain community support for tourism and ensure high quality experiences
- address capacity issues and future-proofs the proposed infrastructure
- align with the Government's Tourism Strategy and your region's destination management planning

Feasibility studies or needs assessments will continue to be considered.

Further details

Further information on the TIF, including the eligibility and assessment criteria, can be found on MBIE's website at:

<https://www.mbie.govt.nz/immigration-and-tourism/tourism/tourism-funding/tourism-infrastructure-fund/>

FNDC - March 2018 TIF Project Status

Approved Project	Value	Status as at February 2020
Waitangi Mountain Bike Park Toilet	\$138k	COMPLETED
Waitangi Boat Ramp Toilet	\$250k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building & Resource Consent Issued • Enter Tender process when service connections are finalised • Address budget shortfall
Haruru Falls Car park Toilet	\$256k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tender process completed • Delivery & Installation May 2021 • Operational June 2021
Opononi i-Site Toilet	\$266k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under construction • Operational May 2021
Mitimiti Toilets and Showers	\$288k	COMPLETED

FNDC - August 2019 TIF Project Status

Approved Project	Value	Status as at 09 April 2021
Project 1A: Waipapa Public Toilet Capacity Upgrade Install a new field on the available FNDC land approximately 300m to the south of the toilet facility.	\$172k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction contract in place Construction to commence 27 April with completion mid-May.
Project 1B: Waitangi Jetty Toilet Facilities Capacity Upgrade (BOI Yacht Club) Increase toilet capacity at Waitangi jetty to meet the rising demands of cruise ship visitors	\$252k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Facility completed Contractor appointed for conversion of older block and is currently completing SiteWise qualifications as part of local contractor upskilling. Anticipate mid-May completion.
Pungaere Road Seal Extension 3.59 Km to the start point to the Puketi Forest Kauri Walkway.	\$1.6M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partly sealed and due completion April subject to weather.
Cable Bay Car Parks Improvements to three Cable Bay car parks	\$476k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project funding in FY22 Design to commence July
Taipa Beach - Pohutukawa Protection Arborist to advise on protection options against cars parking close	\$16k	Complete
Paihia Beach Toilet Upgrade to include Outdoor Shower Outdoor shower and address drainage issues	\$29k	Complete
Kerikeri Stone Store Lighting Lighting plan that enhances the night-time visitor experience	\$28k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concept Design approved by Heritage NZ Construction drawings/design underway Construction in July 2021 to avoid holiday period.
Regional Boat Ramp Study Grant Study into current issues around public boat ramp access and car-parking issues	\$75k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete subject to Infrastructure Committee acceptance
Freedom Camping Operational Plan Study Grant Research to support the development of a regional plan for addressing Freedom camping issues	\$75k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final draft under review Pricing of some infrastructure options required for completion

April 2021 Proposed Applications

1. Smart Cities: Wi-Fi Network Lighting (Russell and Paihia)
2. Smart Cities: Smart Bins
3. Lake Manuwai Toilet
4. Te Paki Stream Toilets
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6. Sealing of Bayly Road (Waitangi Mountain Bike Park)

Financial Summary

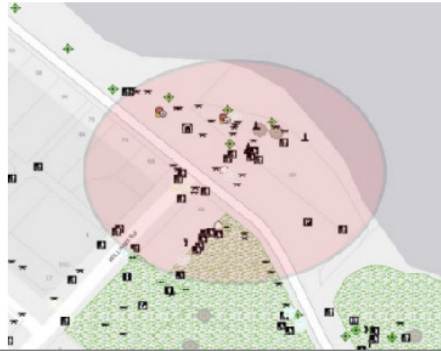
Table 1: March 2020 TIF Financial Data

Not including 2 Years Maintenance claim which is on top of the pricing below and does not require FNDC contribution

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6	Sealing of Bayly Road (Waitangi Mountain Bike Park)	2021/22	\$ 222,750	\$ 222,750	\$ 445,500
			\$ 642,406	\$ 642,406	\$ 1,284,811

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 Far North District Council <i>Te Kaunihara o Tai Tokerau ki te Raki</i>	SMART CITIES: Smart Lighting (Wi-Fi)	 MINISTRY OF BUSINESS, INNOVATION & EMPLOYMENT <i>HĪKONA WHAKATUTUKI</i>
Background		
<p>New smart technologies and sensors are now a proven and cost-effective opportunity to gather real-time data across a number of areas enabling a better understanding of how support services are functioning and if required enable staff to respond appropriately. These networks also provide the infrastructure for public Wi-Fi to be available in popular tourist areas.</p>		
<p>Paihia and Russell waterfronts see a significant number of pedestrian tourists, face service pressures over peak periods and have tourist number density to make a small Wi-Fi network effective. As the technology is embedded and the key benefits are proven then networks can be extended and deployed in other regions of the Far North.</p>		
<p>The network infrastructure is contained within smart street lighting options.</p>		
	 <p>GYRO-PLUS-20</p> <p>20 pcs. High Power LEDs 17W-40W Optional Power Setting 8 different optical lenses</p> <p>AS/NZS 1158 :P1, P2, P3, P4 EN13201: ME5-ME4</p> <p>Park, Paths, Driveways Residential, Urban, Feeder</p>	
Infrastructure Issues		
<p>A Wi-Fi network enabled by the fitting of Smart Streetlights will set up the infrastructure needed to support the following options as a minimum;</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wi-Fi hotspots • Deployment of smart rubbish bins • Localised Information services • CCTV camera operation • Smart Parking • Air Quality Sensors • Options for revenue through commercial applications – (advertising, camera feed, Wi-Fi access) 		

Project: SMART CITIES: Smart Lighting (Wi-Fi)**Paihia Waterfront Assets****Russell Waterfront Assets**

Install a meshed Wi-Fi network using NB Connect embedded within the streetlights. delivering a carrier grade Wi-Fi network as an effective backbone for tourism, industry and the public. Utilise current FNDC infrastructure at Paihia and Russell waterfronts for installation.

NB SmartCities NZ Ltd has proven light designs that are approved by NZTA.

NB SmartCities NZ Ltd is a New Zealand based joint venture between NB SmartCities Pty Ltd (Australia and Denmark) and the McKay Group who are the FNDC contracted streetlight services provider.

McKay have worked through smart lights design for the Hundertwasser car park in Kawakawa and have installed NZTA specification smart lights on the new Taipa Bridge.

It is recommended that McKay's be engaged as a partner for this project due to the small scope and the fact that they have systems operational in Northland. Should FNDC decide to widen the networks to other areas, a wider sourcing process can occur in order to provide additional competition, security of supply and reduce dependency on one vendor.

Focus Paihia Chairman has been consulted and is supportive.

Application will include two years operating costs

Ongoing operating costs (Unlimited Data and Connection)

Paihia \$ 5,780 Russell \$ 4,349

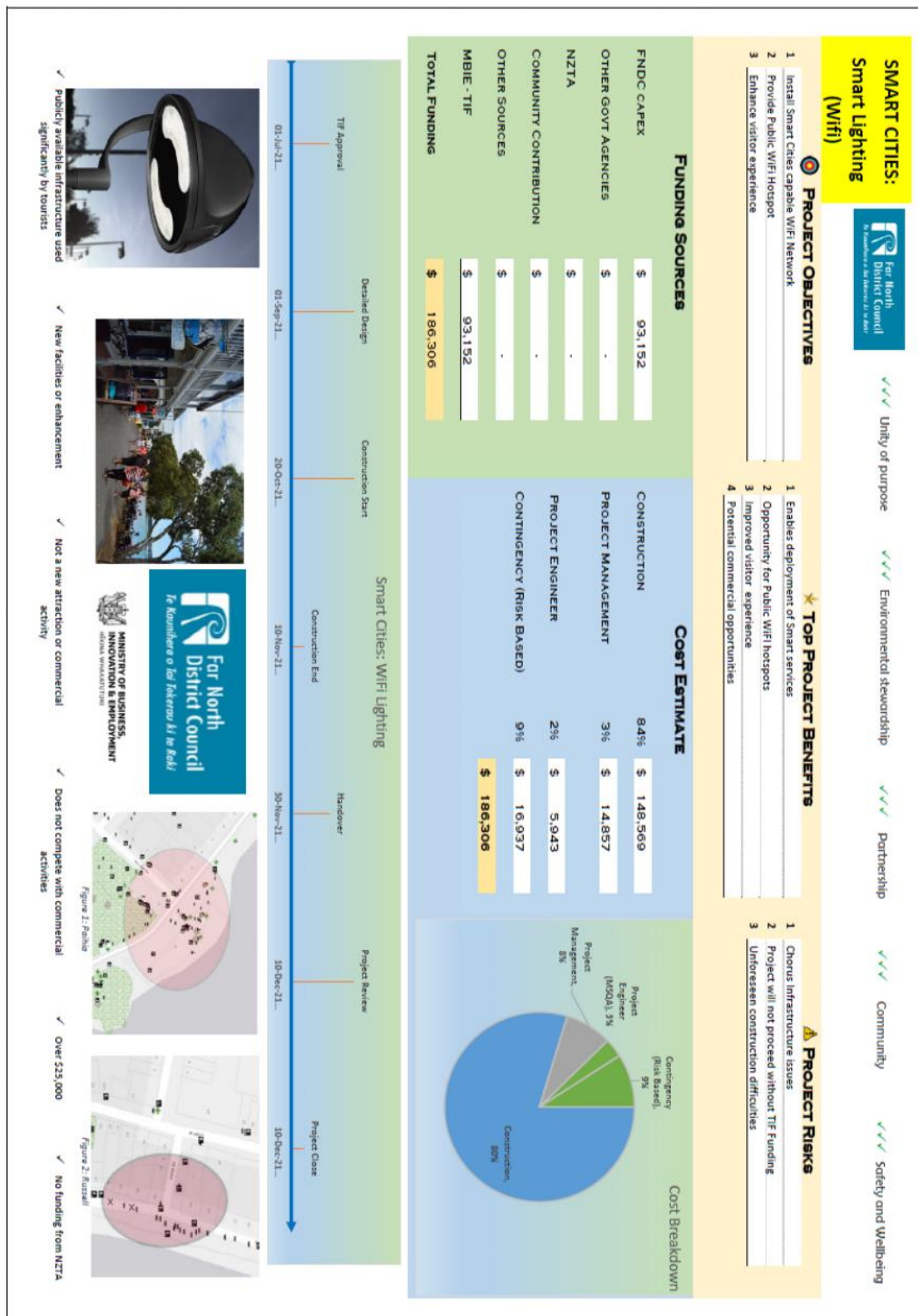
Cost Estimate**Benefits**






PAIHIA		
Construction	80%	\$ 79,392
Project Management	8%	\$ 7,939
Project Engineer (MSQA)	3%	\$ 3,176
Contingency (Risk Based)	9%	\$ 9,051
		\$ 99,558

RUSSELL		
Construction	80%	\$ 69,177
Project Management	8%	\$ 6,918
Project Engineer (MSQA)	3%	\$ 2,767
Contingency (Risk Based)	9%	\$ 7,886
		\$ 86,748

- Enables deployment of Smart services
 - Smart Bins
 - Smart parking
 - Tourism and services data gathering
 - CCTV
- Opportunity for Public Wi-Fi hotspots-improving visitor experience
- Potential commercial opportunities
- Gather Data to support future projects

TOTAL COSTING			
FNDC	50%	\$ 93,153	
MBIE	50%	\$ 93,153	
		\$ 186,306	
FNDC Contribution: \$ 93,153			
Stakeholders			
FNDC, Bay of Islands & Whangaroa Community Board, Focus Paihia			
Risks			
Project doesn't start without TIF funding. The proposed program of work is unlikely to go ahead without an additional funding source.			



 Far North District Council <i>Te Kōwhiri o te Tai Tokerau ki te Raki</i>	SMART CITIES: Smart Bins	 MINISTRY OF BUSINESS, INNOVATION & EMPLOYMENT <i>HIRONGA WHAKATUTUHI</i>
Background		
<p>The introduction of a Smart City Wi-Fi capability in Paihia and Russell will enable the deployment of smart technology bins at some of the highest use tourist areas in the district. Solar powered bins provide an option for more remote areas such as Karikari Peninsula, where a significant issue of rubbish overflow has been consistently identified by the Kaitiaki Rangers operating over the peak summer period.</p> <p>Paihia and Russell have suffered from overflowing rubbish bins at their respective waterfront hubs. This is often caused by a significant peak tourist flow when the Cruise ships are in port, however both Labour Weekend and the Christmas period of 2020 saw even more volume despite the lack of cruise ships. Overflowing bins are not a good look nor environmentally responsible. The use of temporary additional bins does not contribute to the aesthetics of these popular areas.</p> <p>The opportunity to deploy solar powered bins in the peak period hotspots would be a step forward in managing rubbish in these areas. Despite a strong online, pamphlet and word of mouth based campaign to encourage better rubbish behaviours there was still an overflow issue this summer season. Visitor behaviour is not the sole issue and it is becoming more apparent that bin capacity is a large contributing factor over peak tourist season.</p> <p>Smart bins utilise smart sensors that detect rubbish levels and alert maintenance contractors when they are nearing capacity and need to be emptied. A built-in solar cell-powered compactor means the bins can take up to eight times more rubbish than a standard waste bin, helping to deal with the influx of day-trippers.</p> <p>The compacting and online alert systems also ensure optimum use of waste collectors' time while the technology prevents rubbish overflow.</p>		
		

Infrastructure Issues

Popular tourist destinations across the Far North region often struggle to deal with surges in visitors over short periods of time. This can result in overflowing rubbish bins. This situation causes additional operational strain on services and additional contractor requirements add additional cost.

The introduction of smart city Wi-Fi (subject to TIF approval) at Paihia and Russell provide the opportunity to deploy smart bin technology on an initial small scale. Solar powered options will enable deployment of compactor bins at other hotspots. Feedback from Palmerston North Council (Clean Cube Bins) and Taupo (Big Belly Bins) has been positive.

Project: SMART CITIES: Smart Bins**Big Belly Bin: Matakana**

Deploy smart bins to four selected high use locations in Paihia, Russell and Karikari Peninsula (solar).

(Option also exists to deploy a remote 3G or 4G bin unit to an alternate location if not utilising Wi-Fi network))

FNDC Operations management staff to be involved in site selection, model selection and in benefits tracking. Consultation with contracted service providers.

Given the installation of the Smart Bins will be after the installation of the Smart Streetlights that support the network a final decision on the model of bins does not need to be made at this point in time. Clean Cube are currently in the process of a supplier change and other players are potentially entering the market in the upcoming months as demand for service increases. Due to the current supplier changes Clean Cube could not provide pricing at this time.



Big Belly Bins (Manco Engineering) are one of the options used by several Councils in New Zealand and form the cost basis for this project funding estimate. Installation costs will be relatively standard across the brands, with proprietary software charges the main variable outside of hardware cost.

Big Belly Bins also have the option to host the Wi-Fi network infrastructure from the bin. There are also remote 3G and 4G communication options.

TIF Application will also include bid for two years operational funding

Note: Big Belly bins pricing estimates are for a double bin set-up.

Cost Estimate

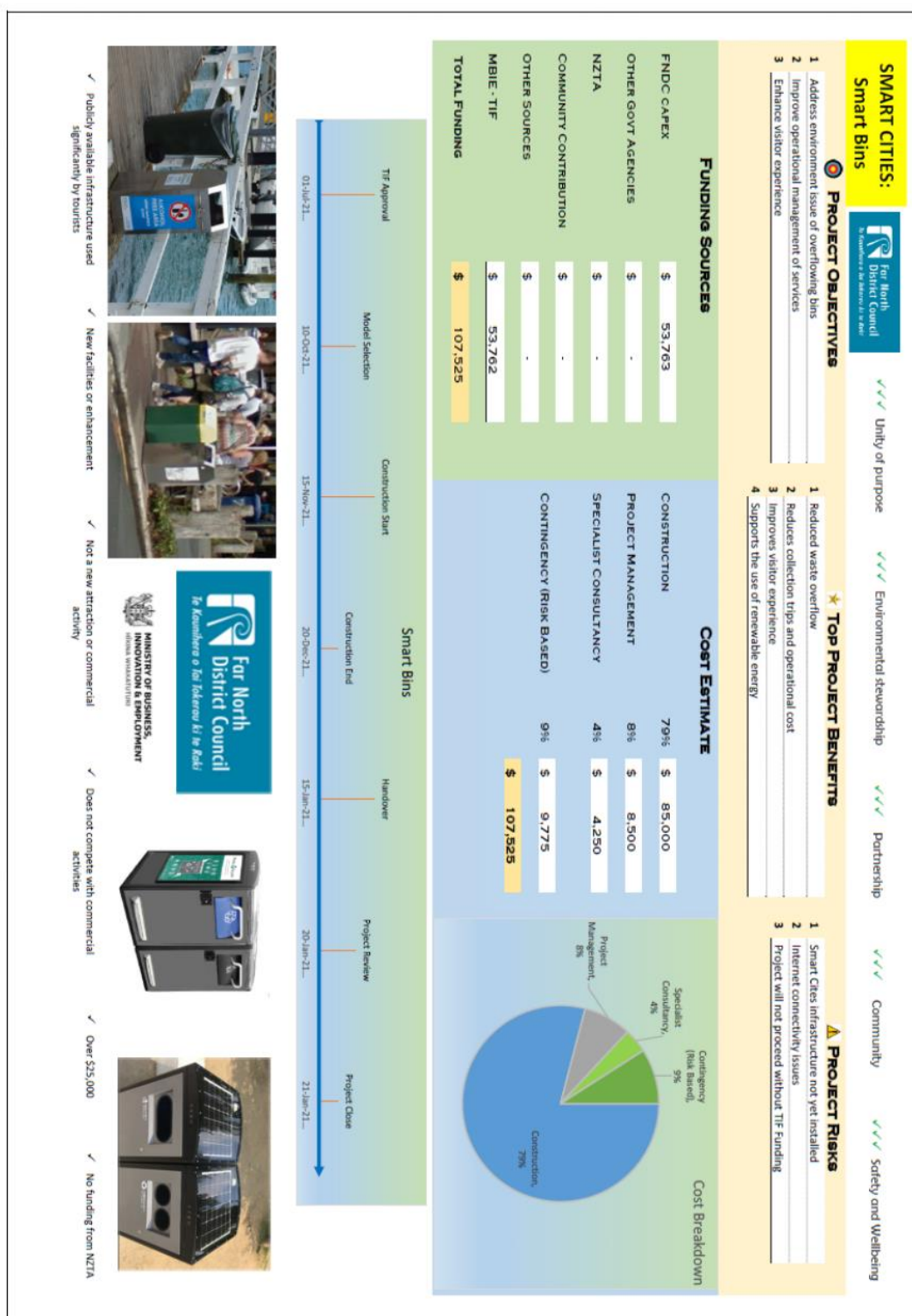
Construction & Installation	79%	\$ 85,000
Project Management	8%	\$ 8,500
Specialist Consultancy (IT)	4%	\$ 4,250
Contingency (Risk Based)	9%	\$ 9,775
		\$ 107,525



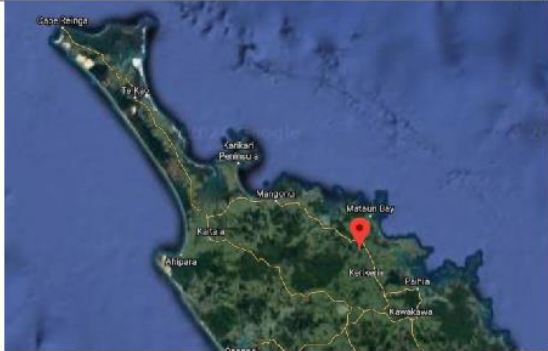

FNDC Contribution: **\$ 53,763**



Benefits

- Reduces waste overflow
- Reduces collection trips and operational cost
- Compaction increases bin capacity
- Supports the use of renewable energy

Stakeholders
FNDC, Bay of Islands and Whangaroa Community Board, Focus Paihia
Risks
<p>Wi-Fi Bins will not proceed if Smart Cities (Wi-Fi) infrastructure not yet installed (3G or 4G remote network and Solar can proceed)</p> <p>Project doesn't start without TIF funding. The proposed program of work is unlikely to go ahead without an additional funding source.</p>



 <div>Far North District Council <i>Te Kōwhiri o te Tai Tokerau ki te Raki</i></div>	Lake Manuwai Toilet	 <div>MINISTRY OF BUSINESS, INNOVATION & EMPLOYMENT <i>HĪKINA WHAKATUTUKI</i></div>
Background		
<p>Situated north of Waipapa, near Kerikeri, Lake Manuwai is a man-made irrigation lake. The former Ministry of Works created it in 1982, and it's one of the reservoirs that sustains Kerikeri's horticulture industry. Kerikeri Irrigation Co now owns Lake Manuwai and an easement for Far North District Council allows public access.</p> <p>The Lake is a popular swimming, kayaking and Waka Ama spot and also hosts children's learn to sail programs. The natural rock formations are also an attraction.</p> <p>Geologist Dr Bruce Hayward described the formations as, "One of two best developed and most extensive examples of fluted basalt proto-karst in New Zealand and possibly in the world."</p>		
		
Infrastructure Issues		
<p>Given the increased visitor numbers a facility with better capacity and more user friendly needs to be installed. Maintaining adequate toilet facilities is an important environmental consideration and the ongoing public access to the lake is more secure if the environmental risks are mitigated.</p> <p>The lake is currently served by a single portaloo. This is not sufficient, and a more functional facility is required.</p> <p>Kerikeri Irrigation Company required to confirm public access rights for extended duration which is not anticipated to be an issue.</p>		

Project: Lake Manuwai Toilet																				
		<p>Construction of dry vault/holding tank toilet facility,</p> <p>Pricing is for a double precast concrete unit with disabled access, holding tank and standard flush toilets. Other options are potentially cheaper subject to final site testing and design.</p> <p>These units are built offsite and transported. No soakage field requirements and can be relocated in the future if required.</p> <p>Installed by local contractors.</p> <p>Other options include:</p> <p>Single concrete units Double fibreglass dry vault</p> <p>2 Years operational funding to be requested. Ongoing operational period will be negotiated with local user groups.</p>																		
																				
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<p>Te Paki stream is the access point to the Giant Sand Dunes tourist attraction, a natural feature of constantly shifting sand dunes, popular for sandboarding. The Te Paki Sand Dunes are the largest in the Southern Hemisphere and are a popular destination for scheduled tours and independent travellers. Ngati Kuri have noted significant increases in visitor numbers in the last three to five years, with numbers approaching a 600% increase.</p> <p>There are no toilet facilities at the Sand dunes or anywhere nearby and environmental concerns have rightly been raised as visitor numbers continue to increase.</p> <p>The area around Cape Reinga was the number 1 area for additional camping sites in our survey of NZMCA members. The addition of toilets at Te Paki opens up the option for Ngati Kuri to operate an overnighting area to meet some of the demand.</p> <p>Ngati Kuri regularly open overflow parking on farmland near the dune access. With the addition of toilets this area could be developed further to include overnighting during peak seasons and provide the foundation for additional tourist attractions operated by Ngati Kuri such as walks and cycle tracks.</p> <p>Sealing the road also has high priority from a safety and environmental perspective but the upgraded road would also see significant increases in visitors. The recommendation from Ngati Kuri is not to seal the road until there is infrastructure to support visitors to the site.</p> <p>This would be a partnership between FNDC and Ngati Kuri. FNDC to provide and own the Asset, Ngati Kuri to provide land access through a formal structure such as a license to occupy or MOU.</p>																										
																										
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Infrastructure Issues

The dunes at Te Pahi are a major tourist attraction in the area. Visitor numbers are increasing and there are no toilet facilities. Ngati Kuri have been hiring a portaloos over peak season to try and mitigate environmental issues, with limited success.

There are additional commercial opportunities for tourist activities at the site but without waste management infrastructure these cannot go ahead.

Project:

Installation of a block of 4 Toilets.

Dry vault or flushing options to be considered subject to water supply and servicing costs.

As a minimum:

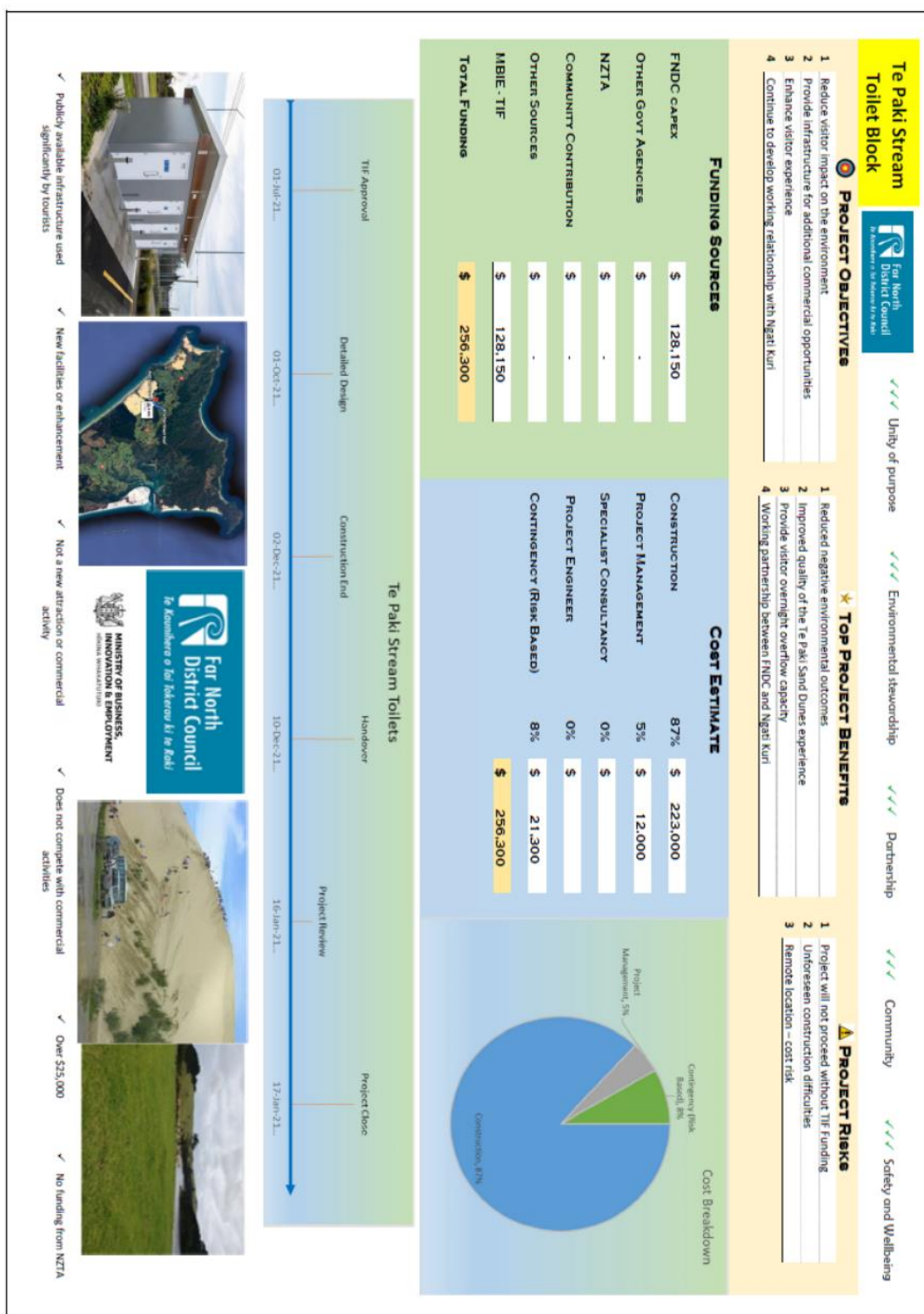
Precast Concrete Construction (Mono Concrete Roof)
Fully Tiled internal walls + floors with epoxy grout
Heavy Duty Robust Door System
Each Dry Vault Pan has individual 3000L Concrete Vault Tanks

Installation and ongoing servicing to be sourced locally.

2 years servicing costs also form part of the application.



Cost Estimate			Benefits
Construction	86%	\$ 223,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce negative environmental outcomes • Improve visitor experience • Provide additional commercial opportunity • Provide visitor overnight overflow capacity
Project Management	5%	\$ 12,000	
Contingency (Risk Based)	9%	\$ 21,300	
		\$ 256,300	
FNDC Contribution: \$ 133,150			
Stakeholders			
FNDC, Te Hiku Community Board, Ngati Kuri			
Risks			
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 Far North District Council <i>Te Kaunihera o Tai Tokerau ki te Kaitiaki</i>	FNDC/Ngati Kuri Te Paki Dump Station	 MINISTRY OF BUSINESS, INNOVATION & EMPLOYMENT <i>ITIKINA WHAKATUTUKI</i>
Background		
<p>The Freedom Camping Study funded in Round 4 is nearing completion and has identified some areas of the Far North have a shortage of dump stations and toilets. GeoZone data shows large numbers of campers are searching for these facilities, then having to travel long distances to reach them and dispose of waste appropriately. There is opportunity to address this through installing more dump stations (for campers toilets to be emptied into) and toilets on these key routes.</p>		
<p>The area around Cape Reinga was the number 1 area for additional camping sites in our survey of NZMCA members. The addition of toilets at Te Paki opens up the option for Ngati Kuri to operate an overnighting area to meet some of the demand.</p>		
<p>The survey of NZMCA members who had visited our area also indicated a strong need for more dump stations. Some cited the lack of such facilities as the reason for moving on. The top areas they said they were needed were between Awanui and Cape Reinga (25% of respondees), Paihia (7%), Russell (5%) Hokianga and the Kaeo/Whangaroa area.</p>		
<p>There is a shortage of dump stations on the Cape with campers having to travel long distances to safely dispose of toilet waste. Often campers need to empty their toilet cassettes every few days and they are unlikely to travel long distances to do this. Absence of a good network of dump stations is likely to drive the wrong behaviour such as campers toileting in the wild (to avoid having to empty their on board toilet) or emptying the toilet in an environmentally unsafe location.</p>		
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Infrastructure Issues		
<p>The dunes at Te Paki and Cape Reinga are major tourist attractions in the Far North. There are a number of DOC camping grounds close to the Cape with significant capacity. Visitor numbers are increasing and there are no dump station facilities north of Houhora.</p>		
<p>Absence of a good network of dump stations is likely to drive the wrong behaviour such as campers toileting in the wild (to avoid having to empty their on board toilet) or emptying the toilet in an environmentally unsafe location.</p>		
<p>There are additional commercial opportunities for tourist activities near the site at Te Paki Stream, notably overflow for overnight stays, but without waste management infrastructure these cannot go ahead.</p>		

Project:

Collaborative project with Ngati Kuri, Department of Conservation, and FNDC to install a vault dump station on land at the corner of Cape Reinga Road and Te Paki Stream Road.

Land access provided by Ngati Kuri with DOC support. FNDC to own the asset.

Intent is to develop the site further in the future with a toilet block and potentially an electric charging station and café.

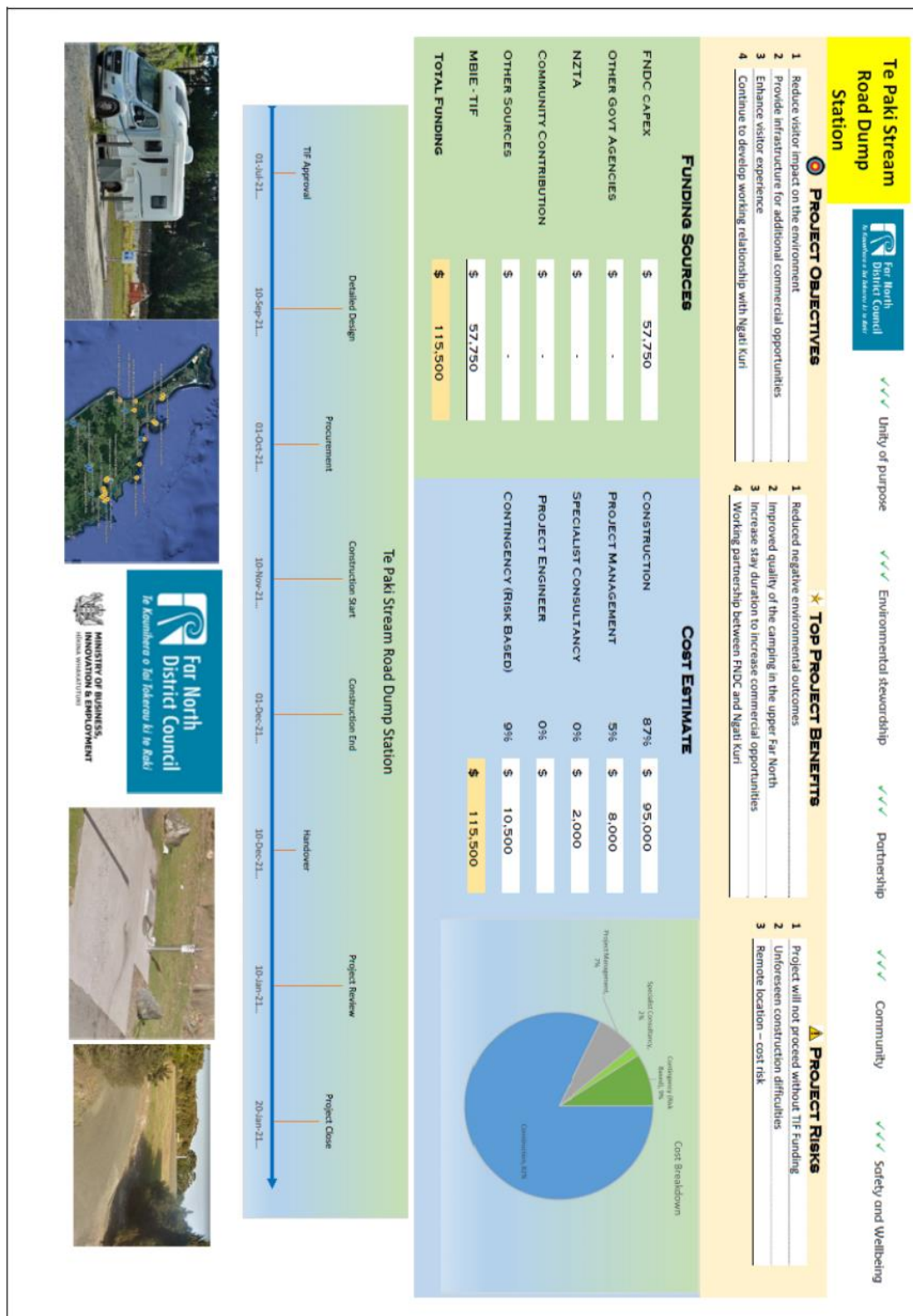
This will be the only dump station north of Houhora.

- Installation of Concrete holding tank Dump Station with up to 10,000 litre capacity.
- Water connections
- Allowance for 50m of form access and manoeuvring area

2 years serving costs also form part of the application.



Cost Estimate			Benefits
Construction	82%	\$ 95,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce negative environmental outcomes • Improve visitor experience • Provide additional commercial opportunity • Provide visitor overnight overflow capacity
Project Management	7%	\$ 8,000	
Specialist Consultancy	2%	\$ 2,000	
Contingency (Risk Based)	9%	\$ 10,500	
		\$ 115,500	
FNDC Contribution: \$ 57,750			
Stakeholders			
FNDC, Te Hiku Community Board, Ngati Kuri, DOC			
Risks			
<p>Project doesn't start without TIF funding. The proposed program of work is unlikely to go ahead without an additional funding source.</p> <p>Remote location carries some pricing risks</p>			





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13 April 2021

Tēnā koe

Letter of Support

The purpose of this letter is to indicate our support to Ngāti Kuri Trust Board and their strategic partnerships in securing resources to put in place a new wastewater dump station in Te Pahi.

The Department has noted:

1. There has been a dramatic increase of visitors to the Far North over the past year.
2. All current existing visitor infrastructure is under pressure from this increase.

Kind regards/Nāku noa, nā

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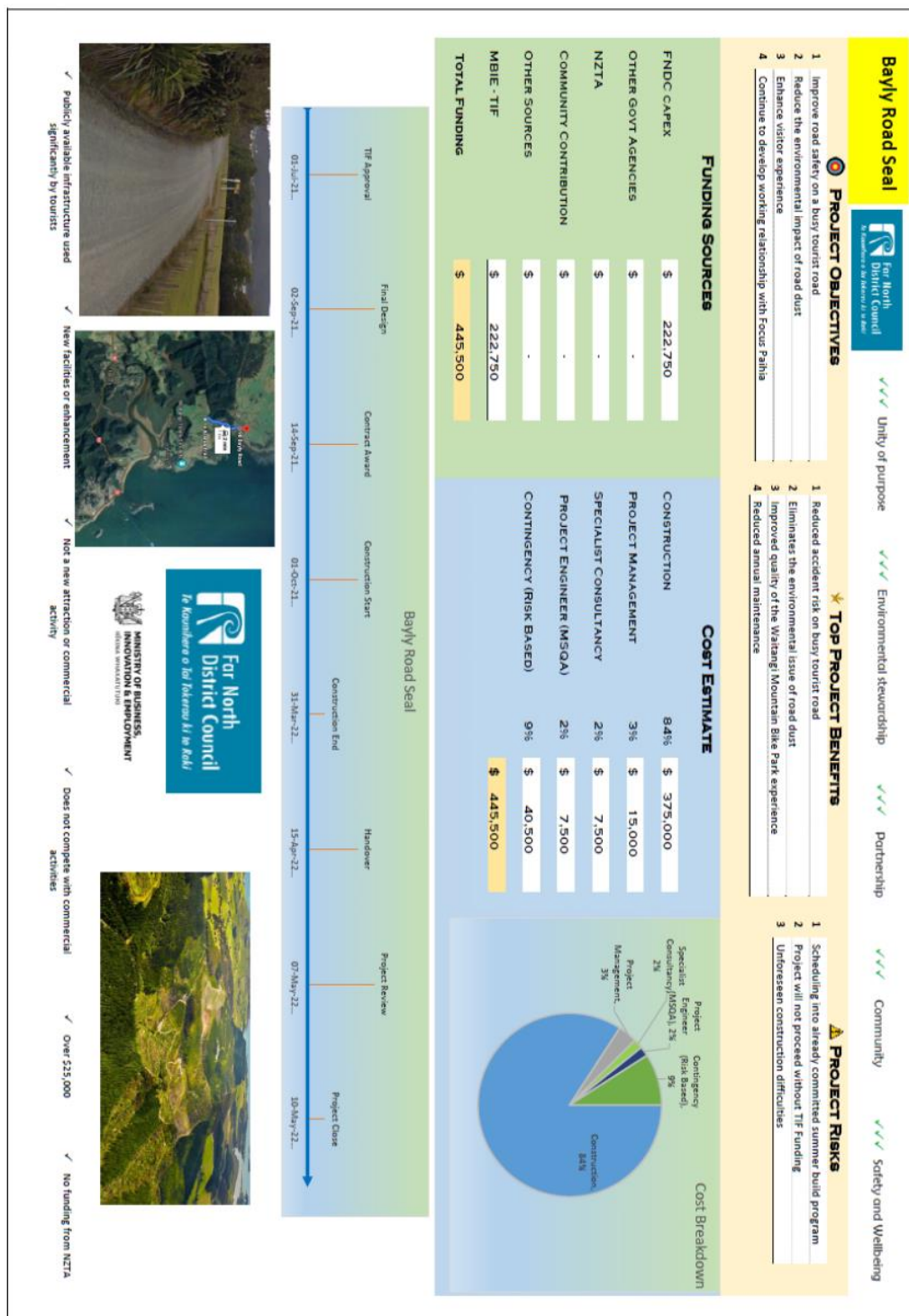
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 <div>Far North District Council</div> <div>Te Kaitiaki o te Ika Māori ki te Kaitiaki</div>	Bayly Road Seal	 <div>MINISTRY OF BUSINESS, INNOVATION & EMPLOYMENT</div> <div>HĒKINA WHAKATUTUHI</div>
<div>Background</div> <p>Bayly road is accessed off Haruru Falls road in Waitangi and leads to the highly rated Waitangi Mountain Bike park. An 8 minute drive (or 15 minute easy bike ride) from the township of Paihia. There is also popular a horse trek operating in the same area.</p> <p>The Waitangi Mountain Bike Park has been built by the efforts of the local community with over 40km of trails complete and a further 30km of trails to be developed in the next few years. The Park is a popular new facility for the region.</p> <p><u>Waitangi Mountain Bike Park Numbers</u> 2018: 16,419 2019: 20,925 2020: 22,120 2021: YTD ahead of 2020</p> <p>The road is unsealed and with ever increasing road users the dust is a significant environmental concern. Sealing the road would also reduce the safety hazard for drivers unfamiliar with gravel roads.</p> <p>Bayly road is number 1 on the FNDC tourist roads priority list.</p>		
		
<div>Waitangi Mountain Bike Park</div> <div><div>Website</div><div>Directions</div><div>Save</div><div>Call</div></div> <div>4.9 ★★★★★ 190 Google reviews</div> <div>Cycling park in Waitangi</div>		
<div>Infrastructure Issues</div> <p>With a growing number of tour operators sharing the road with tourists unfamiliar with gravel roads there is an ever-present road safety risk. The dust generated over the peak summer period is also an environmental concern.</p> <p>Ongoing maintenance issues with the current gravel road would also be addressed with a sealing project.</p> <p>Bayly road is top of the FNDC tourist roads priority list.</p>		

Project:																				
		<p>Seal approximately 1 Km at an estimated base construction only cost of \$ 375,000 (formula derived)</p> <p>The project will require enabling works to address width where required. There will also potentially be a requirement for fencing set-backs at points along the road.</p> <p>The project will be delivered in co-ordination with the Northland Transport Alliance (NTA) and has the support Focus Paihia.</p>																		
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Northland Transportation Alliance: Far North Tourist/Dust Roads Matrix

Rank	Road ID	Road	Distance (m)	Comment
1	1524	Bayly Road	981	Waitangi Mountain Bike Park
2	2424	Te Paki Stream Road	3738	Giant Te Paki Sand Dunes, Cape Reinga & Far North Cycleway (Cape Reinga to Rawene)
3	1741	Haruru Falls Road	2279	Te Araroa Trail (Cape Reinga to Bluff) & Waitangi Mountain Bike Park
4	2193	Waiare Road	600	Puketi Forest Recreation Area
5	1968	Matai Bay Road	1320	Matai Bay Campsite, Karikari
6	2589	Wreck Bay Road	586	Popular Ahipara Beach Front Camp Site
7	1751	Heath Road	1689	Gumdiggers Park, Waiharara
8	1879	Koutu Loop Road	3452	Koutu Boulders (car park), Pakanae
9	1915	McDonnell Road	686	Wairere Boulders, Horeke
10	2205	Purerua Road	5862	Marsden Cross Monument
11	2227	Rangihoua Road	4886	Marsden Cross Monument
12	3361	Oihi Road	1400	Marsden Cross Monument
13	1754	Henderson Bay Road	5689	Beach Camp site
14	1891	Lake Road	155	Kaimaumau Public Toilets
15	2022	Motuti Road	3222	Motuti Marae & Roman Catholic Bishop Montpellier's bodily remains
16	2510	Waioterama Gorge Road	3271	Waioterama Falls, Omapere



19 April 2021

Re: Tourism Infrastructure Fund

To whom it may concern,

Focus Paihia supports both applications for the following reasons and we would like to extend our thanks to FNDC for applying on behalf of the residents of our town to enable these improvements to go ahead.

Waterfront WIFI

Paihia is a top tourist destination, and to help continue to improve it, we believe safety, presentation, and connection of our town is of utmost importance.

To move with technology, taking in account Fibre being installed in the town recently, WIFI hotspots on the waterfront enabling smart technology would offer multiple benefits to the community and its visitors alike.

We strongly support having improvement of smart lighting at night in our township, which will assist with security, and people feeling safer to be out after dark.

An upgrade to a smart rubbish bin system, including recycling bin options, promotes and encourages a clean and green image and shows that our town is serious about looking after our environment..

Sealing of Baylys Rd

Focus Paihia supports the sealing of Baylys Rd for the following reasons,

- Traffic has increased considerably over the past five years with the development and increasing popularity of the Waitangi Mountain Bike Park as well as numerous weddings and special events that are held at Bayly's Farm, the adjoining property to the Bike Park. The Horse trekking business has grown, they also use Bayly Rd to access the forest.
- There are residences located along Bayly Rd that get showered in dust with each traffic movement. During busy periods this dust shower lasts all day creating potential health hazards.
- Waitangi Mountain Bike Park continues to grow in popularity, with biking being a key area of growth post COVID. Despite the turmoil of the past year, WMBP numbers continue to increase. The mountain bike park has become incredibly important in supporting the local businesses in the Bay of Islands during this period of no international tourists.
- We have created a world class mountain bike park that could be greatly improved by the sealing of the road that accesses it.

WMBP Ride Numbers to 31 Dec of the relevant year.

2016: 3,502

2017: 15,204

2018: 16,419

2019: 20,925

2020: 22,120

2021: YTD ahead of 2020

The residents of Paihia appreciate your consideration.

Focus Paihia Community Charitable Trust.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Grant Harnish".

Grant Harnish,
Chairperson

Focus Paihia Community Charitable Trust, P O Box 17, Paihia 0247. info@focuspaihia.org.nz, www.focuspaihia.org.nz

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Kia tupu ai te ōhanga o Te Tai Tokerau

19 April 2021

To Whom it May Concern,

Re: Letter of Support- Far North District Council Application to Tourism Infrastructure Fund

We are writing this letter in support of the Far North District Council (FNDC) and the projects that they are applying to the Tourism Infrastructure Fund for. The FNDC is a key stakeholder of Northland Inc and its associated activities and is a delivery partner to the Tai Tokerau Northland Economic Action Plan (TTNEAP).

Northland Inc is both the Regional Economic Development Agency and Regional Tourism Organisation for Northland, and as an organisation is committed to growing the Northland regional economy. Our vision is for "Northland to be one of the most prosperous regions in New Zealand delivering employment and business opportunities for locals in a fair and equitable society and a healthy and productive environment," and the investment in and development of infrastructure plays a key part in realising this.

The TTNEAP, for which Northland Inc provides portfolio management, provides a platform for Northland to advocate for improvements in infrastructure and tourism related investment, among other things, by bringing into focus a group of projects that together will contribute to transforming Northland's economy. It strives towards achieving seven priority outcomes of which the following three are relevant to Far North District Council's Tourism Infrastructure Fund application:

- A safe, resilient and efficient multi modal transport system
- Northland is a top regional visitor destination
- A state of the art technology ecosystem

Northland Inc and the TTNEAP both strategically recognise the growing need for robust infrastructure to support Northland's tourism sector, in terms of existing demand and the latent demand that will be realised as Tourism related projects in the TTNEAP pipeline are brought to fruition. Because of this, we strongly support FNDC's applications to the Tourism Infrastructure Fund, as we believe the projects put forward strategically address areas where there is an existing capacity constraint and the investment into the projects will significantly enhance the overall quality of the visitor experience while they are in the region.

We look forward to a continued partnership with Far North District Council to support tourism growth into the future and are excited to see these projects advanced.

Yours Sincerely,



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Jude Thompson
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