

Member's Report

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Subdivision: Bay of Islands Whangaroa Board, Russell Ōpua Subdivision

Date: 21 June to 13 July

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting	Comments
21 June 23	Combined Community Board workshop	Kaikohe meeting with workshops
22 June 23	Monthly meeting with Chris Galbraith FNHL	Monthly meeting to improve community engagement from FNHL
27 June 23	Te Rerenga Economic Development meeting	Teams – presenting new draft economic development strategy
29 June 23	Meeting with Bronwyn Hunt Department of Conservation	Discuss DoCs position on walkways and cycleways on DoC managed land.
29 June 23	Catch up with Governance Support Officer to review outstanding RFS etc	Teams meeting
4 July 23	Russell Drainage Tour (the sequel) with Andy Finch District Engineer	Visited locations of multiple RFSs which require cross department resolution
5 July 23	Meeting with Kent Thwaites to discuss options for Skateboard ramp.	Possible locations discussed. Kent to establish the level of community support.
6 July 23	Workshop on new Maintenance contract and Bay of Islands Community Board meeting	Turner Centre, Kerikeri
10 July 23	Monthly article for Russell Lights regarding Community Services maintenance contract	Explaining the new contract, sharing some of the feedback already received.
11 July 23	Meeting with Catherine Langford to discuss community engagement	Sharing initiatives and new ideas to improve how to engage with local community
11 July 23	Catch up with Governance Support Officer to review outstanding RFS etc	Teams meeting
12 July 23	Te Huinga introduction	Teams meeting to present Sharepoint site.
12 July 23	Meeting with Richard Green, new Chair of Love Ōpua	Discuss priorities for LTP for Ōpua Community
13 July 23	Russell Kororāreka Urupa meeting	Meeting with Council Staff, Becca, Kororāreka Marae and RSA to discuss cemetery expansion
20 June to 11 July (shorter period)	Created 19 posts for the BOI-Whangaroa Community Board page. Reach 18,635 ↓ 27.8% Visits 1,282 ↑ 18.7% Page Followers 859 (837) New Likes 11 ↓ 47..6%	Most popular posts were Williams Rd parking increase (7.1K) Russell Birdman (4.1K) New shade sails (4K) Ōpua slip (3.8K) Community board funding decisions (2.4 K)

Community Issues

Issue name	Comment
Value for rates	Still receiving complaints about rates increases and amount, particularly from retired people. Encouraging people to buttonhole their local politicians prior to the election. Also advised of Local Government Review.
Community Response group in Kororāreka.	Date for first meeting of volunteers scheduled for 20 July. Around 15 people have indicated they will attend
Maromaku Roading	No progress, and roads are very poor. I have included in LTP.
Russell refuse and recycling	Waiting for response from Ecosolutions. No progress on the User Pays scheme for boaties, will need to chase up interested parties over winter. WIP.
Ōpua relationship with Far North Holdings	Continuing to meet. Working to ensure that repairs to Okiato ferry ramp are well communicated to both Ōpua and Russell Kororāreka communities.
Russell Drainage	Visit from District Engineer who reviewed a number of drainage and roading issues. He has made a commitment to get these long-standing issues addressed. Item identified into LTP.
Rawhiti road seal	This remains an issue. Council is aware of the need, still needs funding.
Maromaku Toilet	Project has been reactivated.
Kellet Street Footpath	Completed!!!! To come off list.
Erosion on Russell waterfront	There is significant erosion on the Russell Kororāreka waterfront and Resilient Russell and the Russell Waterfront Trust are looking at boulders for the immediate protection of cannon on waterfront. Have included in LTP.

Requests for Service (RFS)

RFS number	Date	Comment
(3987148) (3996575) 4032539	2020 2021 12/01/23	License to Occupy issued to Landowner. Additionally, Landowner must erect signage to delineate which is public road and where the private land starts. Once put up, this long standing RFS will be complete.
4137946	6/12/22	Signage for Maromaku Hall is being made. Site visit took place in May.
(4125516) 4139501	(1/9/2022) 16/12/22	Matauwahi Bay Road drainage with stormwater drainage due to tree roots lifting pavement and drain resulting in blockages and damage to footpath. DISTRICT ENGINEER HAS NOW ASSESSED
4139843	20/12/2022	Reinstate the yellow lines on Long Beach Road to prevent parking at turning circle and by fig tree (road narrows). Yellow lines have been painted around town – these are not a new request, but THESE WERE NOT DONE.

4144277	31/01/23	Culvert on Council Reserve by Medical centre is blocked with weeds causing flash flooding of carpark and ambulance station in heavy rain. Funding should be available as this was flooding in the Cyclone Hale event. Further flooding on Beresford Street in last severe weather event due to outflow of drainage being blocked. DISTRICT ENGINEER HAS NOW ASSESSED AND PLANNING HAS STARTED FOR CLEARING.
4158314		Matauwahi Road drain to be cleared as it has a shrubbery including palm tree growing in it and blocks visibility to residents. NOW ON SCHEDULE OF WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT.
4148332	28/2/23	Request for Council to actively monitor progress of government agencies progress on kiatiakiatanga of the old Customs House, former Police residence. Hapū consultation ongoing.
4151342	10/03/23	Walls Bay Reserve RFS for track maintenance and general tidy up. SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT.
4150811	17/03/2023	Causeway to Russell Boat Club on Matauwahi Road (paper road section) needs repairs for safety reason. Will need legal, roading and engineers involved. DISTRICT ENGINEER IS GETTING COSTINGS DONE.
4153533	10/04/2023	Water created washout which is cutting down a hill likely to cause a slip. If unattended, road will cause a slip onto neighbouring property and road will be inaccessible. NO ACTION
???	11/04/2023	Boat hull on reserve on Te Hue. Not sure what has happened here.
4150962	23/03/23	Cleaning of kerbing and gutters at end of Richardson Street in Ōpua. Part of street done, top end was omitted by Ventia when they did the work. Needs completing. NO ACTION
4155878	30/04/2023	Erosion on Russell Waterfront becoming extensive. Assigned to Community Development for the new manager Climate Action and Community Development. NO ACTION
4127193, 4111164, 4118337	01/04/2022	Stormwater and drainage issues at Okiato. Ongoing for over a year now with Council stormwater from road flowing down over property. Property owners significantly stressed. DISTRICT ENGINEER HAS NOW VISITED AND WILL BE WORKING WITH PROPERTY OWNERS ON A SOLUTION.
4159364	14/06/2023	Request for dangerous trees to be removed from Aucks Road. Work scheduled postponed until next year. Customer considers this is unacceptable. CONFUSION ON WHEN WORK WILL BE DONE.

Other Issues