



Te Hiku

# Community Board Chairperson's Report

Name: Adele Gardner

Subdivision: Kaitaia Te Hiku

Date: 23 May 2023 – 15 June 2023

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## **Meetings Attended**

Date	Meeting
23/05/23	Annual Plan Workshop - Kaikohe
23/05/23	Extraordinary Council Meeting - Kaikohe
25/05/23	Divestment of Housing for Elderly workshop - Kaikohe
25/05/23	Kaitaia Airport workshop - Kaikohe
30/05/23	Te Hiku Community Board Concept Improvement Plan /Strategic Plan workshop – Te Ahu
30/05/23	Te Hiku Project Working Group Town Square Meeting
01/06/23	Council meeting - Kaikohe
06/06/23	Te Hiku Community Board Meeting – Te Ahu
06/06/23	Cycle Trail Workshop – Te Ahu
09/06/23	Te Ahu Trust Meeting
12/06/23	Kaitaia Airport discussion / workshop – Te Ahu
14/06/23	Te Puawaitanga Sports Facility needs assessment update - online
14/06/23	Iwi Hapu Environment Management Plan workshop – Kaikohe
14/06/23	Proposed District Plan Hearings Panel workshop - Kaikohe

## The Te Hiku Project Working Group

Some of you may have seen that the last of the three pou in Awanui have now been unveiled. Nga Pioke was unveiled on Saturday 3 June which was led by Ngai Takoto. The blessing was led by Bishop Kito Pikaahu, and this now completes the entrances into Awanui with the SH10 taonga on show.

Photos of the unveiling and more information about Nga Pioke is on the Awanui Matters and Te Hiku Revitalisation Open Spaces Facebook pages. The last cultural piece yet to be installed is the central focus of the Kaitaia Town Square and we are still patiently waiting on the engineer plans for the foundation design which have proved to be tricky and time consuming. We are currently pricing information plinths to be installed next to each of the cultural artworks in Ahipara, Kaitaia and Awanui so that people can learn about the history and stories they each represent.

Andrea Panther has now resigned from the Te Hiku Project Working Group and from the Kaitaia Business Association. Over the last 5 years or so our Community Board has had a great working relationship with the Kaitaia Business Association with Andrea at the helm. We thank Andrea for all her incredible hard work as we know she had all the community at heart. We wish her all the best and I know she will be still part of this community watching from the 'side-lines' as developments evolve.

### The Mosaic Wall:

The Te Hiku Community Board have agreed on the following Statement:

The Te Hiku Community Board supports the redevelopment of the Kaitaia Town Square.

1. There is a plan for the property on FNHL's land.
2. The plan has been widely consulted on.
3. The initial plan did not include the mosaics.
4. Independently there has been support (750 people) for leaving the mosaic walls where they are.
5. That is not going to work with the proposed plan for the site.
6. The widely consulted on plan will proceed.
7. The mosaic tiles will be removed by a professional contractor (i.e. Stonecraft)
8. They will be stored at a location to be determined.
9. The tiles can be replaced in a public space elsewhere in Kaitaia, should all community groups agree.
10. All involved are aware of their significance to members of the public and this will not be forgotten.
11. This has been agreed by the Board, the Te Hiku Project Working Group, Far North Holdings and KBA seeking the best outcome for the future of Kaitaia.

## **Requests for Service (RFS)**

RFS number	Date	Comment
4148093	27/02/2023	Follow up on behalf of a ratepayer – flooding Taupata Place.
4158972	17/05/2023	An 80+ year old ratepayer contacted me, who lives south of Te Kao, had 28 trees fall on his property during Cyclone Gabrielle and wanted some help to clear up the debris. <b>Customer sent details of Mayoral Relief Fund and encouraged to make an application.</b>