

# Member's Report

**Name:** Jane Hindle  
**Subdivision:** Russell Ōpua Subdivision  
**Date:** 14 July to 14 August 2023 (sick leave for 12 days)

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## Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting	Comments
17 July 23	Russell Town Hall meeting	End of financial year. New indoor sports introduced in hall, positive uptake
18 July 23	Meeting with Governance support officer to review Ōpua issues	Checking slip, outstanding RFSs and generally assess
18 July 22	Monthly resilient Russell meeting	Progressing eco-star assessments
19 July 23	Monthly meeting with Chris Galbraith and Russell Wharf Trust	Discuss project to seal carpark by Russell boatramp (subject to funding) plus monthly update.
20 July 23	Community Emergency Response group meeting to review and progress emergency plan	Progressing the update of the community plan. Reviewing the whole peninsula.
24 July 23	Meeting with Sarah Paterson, FNHL Director, tour of Ngawha Innovation Park	Quarterly catch up to maintain lines of communication
24 July 23	Citizenship ceremony, Kaikohe	Great event!
31 July 23	Community Board meeting	Turner Centre, Kerikeri
8 Aug 23	Monthly article for Russell Lights regarding Drainage	Acknowledged work achieve by Janet Planet in the community.
10 Aug 23	Combined Community Board Workshop	Kaikohe meeting.
12 July to 12 August	Created 10 posts for the BOI-Whangaroa Community Board page. Reach 6,994 ↓ 76.3%   Visits 512 ↓ 74.9%   Page Followers 862 (859)   New Likes 4 ↓ 81.%	Most popular posts were Citizenship Ceremony (2.4K) Ōpua 2 <sup>nd</sup> slip (2.3K) Community Board funding reminder (1.6K) Coastal Track closed (1.5K) Events investment fund (1.3K)

## Community Issues

Issue name	Comment
Ōpua Coastal Walkway	There have now been 3 slips on the track and the Engineer's report indicates that the section to Lilly Bay should be permanently closed. Detour is available through Richardson Street, and this will be made permanent. Longer term we are looking at a shared cycleway and walkway, which may be inland.
Community Emergency Response in Kororāreka.	Progressing an updated plan with 12 people working on individual community cells. Although progress is slow, we are better organised than 6 months ago.
Russell refuse and recycling	We have signed up 6 businesses to go through an Ecostar Audit with Eco-Solutions. More will come on board. Issue with the Waterfront Trust lack of trustees in terms of progressing a user pays system.
Ōpua relationship with Far North Holdings	Okiato Boat ramp project soon to start. Now working on the playground shade sail initiative. Want to try and involve community to get buy in.
Russell Drainage	One out of 5 drainage issues now addressed. District Engineer is monitoring projects and I remain optimistic they will be addressed eventually. Drainage work has been identified in LTP.
Russell Cemetery	Running out of space in Cemetery. Land offered to extend area and new plots and berms being built. Aiming for ANZAC 2024 completion.
Maromaku Toilet	Community Board presentation from Community. District Facilities are working on project in terms of next steps.
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.
Maromaku Roding	No progress, and roads are very poor. I have included in LTP.
Rawhiti road seal	This remains an issue. Council is aware of the need, still needs funding.
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.

## Requests for Service (RFS)

RFS number	Date	Comment
(3987148) (3996575) 4032539	2020 2021 12/01/23	Okiato encroachment at Tapu Point. Signs to be put up by 31 AUGUST. <b>THEN IT IS COMPLETED</b>
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. <b>DISTRICT ENGINEER HAS NOW ASSESSED</b>
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 <b>THESE WERE NOT DONE.</b>
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. <b>DISTRICT ENGINEER HAS NOW ASSESSED AND PLANNING HAS STARTED FOR CLEARING.</b>
4158314		<del>Matauwahi Road drain to be cleared as it has a shrubbery including palm tree growing in it and blocks visibility to residents.</del> <b>COMPLETED</b>
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	40/03/23	<del>Walls Bay Reserve RFS for track maintenance and general tidy up.</del> <b>COMPLETED</b>
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. <b>DISTRICT ENGINEER IS GETTING COSTINGS DONE.</b>
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. <b>NO ACTION</b>
???	11/04/2023	Boat hull on reserve on Te Hue. Not sure what has happened here.
4150962	23/03/23	<del>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.</del> <b>COMPLETED</b>
4155878	30/04/2023	Erosion on Russell Waterfront becoming extensive. Moved to LTP to ensure action. <b>NO ACTION</b>
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. <b>DISTRICT ENGINEER MEETING AGAIN AT END AUGUST.</b>
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. <b>CONFUSION ON WHEN WORK WILL BE DONE.</b>

### Other Issues