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Ward: Bay of Islands - Whangaroa

Date: 26 July 2024

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting Topic	Comment
1 July 2024	BOI Rec Centre – working group on wellbeing component	The purpose of this working group, a smaller group from the main BOI Rec Centre committee, is to come up with suggested measures of wellbeing for the contract, it was rolled over, and there were issues particular to this centre that locals want to improve outcomes on. Working group will put suggestions together then it will come to council operations.
	Housing Portfolio	<p>It was raised by some community board members that people from outside the rohe are going into these properties. Where applicants are from, is <u>not a specific requirement</u>, but is one of the considerations. It is more determined on the date of their application & where they are now. Received a housing for the Elderly update. Discussed Regional Housing Hui – all the council reps involved or interested in housing, identifying alignment or shared focus.</p> <p>Housing Strategy – Updates on relevant work, including short term accommodation research piece.</p> <p>Recent central government actions or announcements: including Kāinga Ora Review, Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill, Making it easier to build granny flats and H1 proposal.</p>
	Council Agenda Preview	
2 July 2024	LGNZ Zone 1 Hui, Northland Regional Council	Zone 1 is made up of LGNZ membership councils in Northland. We received a presentation from Lifesaving NZ on their collaboration with Pat Miller from Operation Flotation. Pat shared the story of the 2018 drowning tragedy at Cable Bay where no surf rescue equipment was available. Which led to 'Operation Flotation' and ask for community support to fund the installation of

		<p>flotation devices on our beaches. The collab between the organisations is helping to take this further than Doubtless Bay.</p> <p>We heard little on Local Water Done Well. But had a lot of information on Local Electoral Reform and City Regional Deals and received the LGNZ Update.</p>
	Northland Forward Together	<p>This is in a workshop format. All the councils of Northland. Updates on key decisions and outcomes from the Long Term Plan Process</p> <p>Each Mayor/Chair to provide a verbal update (ten minutes per council)</p> <p>Local Waters Done Well</p> <p>Presentation from KDC Chief Executive Officer, Jason Marris</p> <p>Update from Northland Inc. Limited (including key projects/priorities/workstreams and also the Regional Infrastructure Fund)</p>
3 July	Mayor & Councillors catchup	Gives us a chance to debrief and come up with solutions together.
4 July	Te Huia – Executive Review Committee	Performance of the CE, also where he reports to council on issues. And an opportunity for Councillors to raise top of mind concerns.
5 July	Cadets Whakawatea	Fabulous to see our young council cadets on their completion of our cadets programme. And all those completing went into employment.
8 July	Truck driver training	Hui with training provider and trucking business on their concerns that face learner truck drivers in Te Tai Tokerau and their solutions they need awahi implementing.
9 July	CE: Mayoral catchup	
	Representation review	Verbal submissions
	Marine Facilities - bylaw	Verbal submissions

10 July	Kaikohe Library & Civic Hub, karakia at site of works	
	Environment Court Decision	Getting an understanding of what role governance has vs operations; the learnings from this; another issue we are left holding, that the future ratepayers may feel impacts of later.
11 July	Council hui	
13 July	Hato Hone Waka Ora Health Shuttle	I attended this event at Morehu Marae, Pawarenga. Hato Hone St John for launched the health shuttle to support North Hokianga, transporting residents of Pawarenga, Panguru, and Mitimiti to health appointments. Families in North Hokianga face long distances and high travel costs to hospitals, worsened by the 2023 flooding, evidenced by the state of slip riddled roads. This service will help mitigate these issues. Congratulations to the 22 volunteers that will be the heart of this service.
15 July	Affordable Wealth hui	Providers scoping out council AI needs. And the financial literacy potential in Te Tai Tokerau.
16 July	CE Mayoral office hui	
17 July	Waimamaku Residential Care Housing Proposal	Presented with a concept for residential care and housing.
	Fortnightly Mayor and Councillors hui	
	Hihitahi Rise	Update to resident and key driver of Hihitahi Rise to get this severe road slip resolved. Business case is getting done. What is the timeline for the actual works project to have funding and delivered.
22 July	CE Mayoral office catchup	
23 July	Police hui	Building relationships hui
	Te Koukou hui	
	Te Koukou wananga	

24 July	Te Miromiro hui	
	Residential Housing Hui	Hui with FNHL and community housing providers on a potential partnership model of working together.
25 July	Business Call	Northland Chamber of Commerce joined the hui for the first time. A welcome fresh perspective.
	District Plan hearing panel site visits	Site visit with fellow panelists to get an understanding of the hospital zoning and Ngawha Innovation Park.

Community Matters

This section should be completed for matters arising within the community, which Council need to be aware of. It could be related to ongoing projects, requests, feedback etc.

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Hihitahi Rise	Putting aside previously existing issues in the location, Cyclone Gabrielle has caused the land to move, therefore the road and there is a question on whether the road dropping has impacted the town storage of water to crack as well. There are houses that are being impacted by the continued movement of the road. To the extent that houses are moving, connections (power, water and wastewater) are being impacted, starting a fire at one property. Await a business case, then budget for remedy of this situation.
Ōhaeawai Stormwater	There is no urban stormwater in this residential area, and it is needed. Homes are being flooded, and onsite wastewater being impacted by water not being able to flow anywhere. The impacts of the footpath need to be mitigated. The swales are not suited to this area that has a school and playcentre, and community events, when it rains, they are almost 2m deep full of water this is a huge health and safety risk. Children can't even play safely outside their homes after heavy rain as parents fear they will drown in the open drains. <u>Awaiting a staff response on proposed remedy.</u>
Dog Management	Still the offer from community to help council with a proposed Responsible Dog Owner programme, to help improve owner behaviour.
Kawakawa Slip	Slip at back of businesses, private landlord addressing – works well underway, the recent rains caused more mud to enter the Catering Box. Impacting on their business. But they reopened after clearing out the mud. Mayflower is still closed, and complaints are being fielded by monitoring regarding pest management, once slip is resolved FNDC need to investigate alleged stormwater impacting on the state highway and the Mayflower business will be able to apply for its food licence inspection and reopen.

Portfolio Update: (Housing Portfolio)

- As above

Proposed District Plan Hearings

- Hearing 2 & 3 Special zoning – we have deliberated and completed site visits for this particular hearing.

Portfolio Update: (Emergency Management)

- My thanks to Sarah Boniface that has moved back into health. Look forward to meeting her replacement.