Member's Report

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Date: 23.04.26

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting	Comments
17.3.26	Northland Waters Done Well	Transition of Waters to CCO
17.3.26	KHCB Beautification Fund	Discussion on allocation of KH Ward beautification funding.
18.3.26	Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation	
18.3.26	Workshop - LG Reforms, Northland Waters and Annual Plan	Local Government, Waters and Annual Plan discussion
23.3.26	Te Hono hapu, iwi and marae engagement Kokohuia Marae	Whakarongotai Marae hosting Te Hono for engagement discussion.
1.4.26	Council Hui	
7.4.26	Pre-Agenda KHCB meeting	Discussion on agenda items and workshops
8.4.26	KHCB meeting	Funding applications, allocation of beautification funding, tree removals, workshop on new footpaths
9.4.26	Rae ki te Rae Recovery Hubs	Support for whanau in Whirinaki and Waimamaku affected by recent flooding and storms.
14.4.26	KHCB New Footpath prioritisation	
15.4.26	Extraordinary meeting FNDC	Appointment of External Members to Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships
15.4.26	Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation	Kaikohe Broadway Placemaking to include support for TRAION Market Place plans.
21.4.26	Freese Park	Drainage, Growers Market aspirations
22.4.26	Regional Food Security discussion	Concern for food security, possible solutions, FNDC support.

Community Issues

Issue name	Comment
Impact of increasing storms and extreme weather events	Stormwater, drainage, flooding, landslides, access to homes, damaged water supplies, damaged roads are becoming more frequent and more widespread.
Kokohuia Rd	Ongoing concern re potential slip/s and drainage.
Facilities for Taitamariki	Ideas and issues from various community groups. *some of these aspirations have been prioritised in KHCB DRAFT Strategic Plan
Pioneer Walk beach access	Stormwater works, Chamber, beach access, reserve. Beautification and beach access worked through with locals and residents. *update : the design is being re-worked with landowners.
Vegetation control on roadsides, footpaths	Contracts need to be resolved for roadsides and footpaths in the townships of Rawene and Opononi Omapere, in particular Hokianga Harbour Drive. Control needs to happen between now and July 1st new contract starting.
Wharekawa/ Opara/ Mountain and Wekaweka roads	Level of maintenance of roads. Confirm where the FNDC road ends on Mountain Rd and Wekaweka rd.
Wastewater systems in Hokianga	High level of hapu and community concern, continued efforts by hapu and community to remove all human waste from Hokianga waters. Electrocoagulation system soon to be commissioned for Rawene WWTP.
Housing, Elderly housing, people living in vehicles	Housing is an ongoing concern for our community. Increasing number of people are living in vehicles in public parking spaces, sometimes with antisocial behaviour.
Coastal erosion, Omapere and Opononi	Coastal erosion continues to put FNDC wastewater, water and roading infrastructure at risk, as well as creating ongoing problems for beach access.
Footpath for Koutu, Freese Park, Horeke and Panguru	Discussion on cost of these new footpaths is underway.
Dust suppression	Near all marae and Kohanga reo on unsealed roads; esp. Otaua and Waimamaku

Access to all roads during storm and heavy rain events	SHW 12 at Taheke and Waimamaku, both ends of Omanaia road * Te Pitti Marae on Omanaia rd is a Civil Defence point but access is difficult due to flooding.
Parking in Opononi Omapere	In summer numerous vehicles with boat trailers take up most of the parking near Opononi and Freese Park, creating safety concerns by parking over the footpaths, narrowing the road in places, and inconvenience for locals, esp. elderly and whaikaha, children to access the shops and beach. *discussion underway for parking time limits and monitoring .
Traffic calming	Hokianga Harbour Drive, Freese Park road. Waima SHW 12 change to speed limit outside Waima Kura entrance.
Public Toilets	Lack of public toilet in Mangamuka and Waimamaku. Faulty flush system and condition Freese Park public toilet. Petition received from Waimamaku business owners and locals asking for a public toilet.
Use of coastal area Opononi Omapere	Reserves have bollards cut, rocks moved to enable vehicles onto picnic area, whanau spaces, beach. Discussion on proposals for how beaches and reserves are used, what amenities are/are not supported by the hapu and community.
Dog control	Dangerous and wandering dogs, attacks, perceived lack of FNDC response to calls.

Requests for Service (RFS)

RFS number	Date	Comment
4295356	4.6.26	Flood damage Kokohuia rd.
4283060	9.3.26	De Thierry Street, Rawene. Pump Station, spraying by no spray sign
4290623	2.3.26	Marmon Road berm mowing and drain clearing
4199835	2.3.26	Freese Park Road footpath and traffic calming
4280712, 4279991,	25.2.26	Koutu Loop Rd, Rawene Road, and Parnell st Rawene, roading
4271283, 4272291,	3.10.25 26.1.26	Flooding from Kokohuia Rd into garage, road maintenance, Elected Member Support

4277467, 4285342		Concerns re potential slips above the road and homes, whose responsibility is it to seek engineer report? * update requested.
RFS 4277188	14.11.25	Elected Member Support Duddy's road hole in road surface *Scheduled for replacement in Feb 2026
4272447, 4269818	30.10.25	Elected Member Support Pioneer Walk Stormwater works, Chamber, beach access. *update; redesign with landowners
4278630	24.11.25	Bollard removed at Freese Park. This seems to have been removed again.
4278436 4285039.	26.11.25 26.1.26	Rawene roadside and footpath vegetation, hazarous slippery footpath Parnell st
4285670	29.1.26	Boat trailer and vehicle parking in Opononi and Omapere creating hazards and frustration in community.
4285678	29.1.26	How to update parking bylaws to better suit current local situations.
4285658	29.1.26	Strengthen relationship between Hauora Hokianga and FNDC. * a meeting was held between the two groups.
4285977 4285986	29.1.26	Current contracts for vegetation control on footpaths in Rawene, Opononi and Omapere (esp. Hokianga Harbour Drive). Will these areas be maintained between now and July 1st new contract.

Other Issues

*Possibility for FNDC to support water tanks to homes; potential bulk purchasing and pay off via rates.
* Rawene Campus lease.
*How FNDC might support local employment, business and education.
*Positive feedback on the new Kaikohe Library and Civic Hub 'Te Ata Haere', a beautiful place that will uplift our town, serve many groups and generations, and bring in people to spend time and money in Kaikohe.