MINUTES OF
BAY OF ISLANDS-WHANGAROA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE TURNER CENTRE, 43 COBHAM ROAD, KERIKERI
ON THURSDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 10:10AM

PRESENT: Chairperson Belinda Ward, Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber, Member Korey Atama, Member Dane Hawker, Councillor Arohanui Allen, Councillor Ann Court

STAFF PRESENT: Lawrence Wharerau (Kaiarahi Kaupapa Māori), Aylah Williams (Transportation Support Officer), Jaye Michalick (Team Leader-Growth Planning & Placemaking), Joshua Ambler (Community Placemaking Advisor), Kathryn Trewin (Funding Advisor), Ken Lewis (Manager Communications & Engagement), Natasha Rmandic (Democracy Advisor), Jolene Rupapera (Kaiarahi Kaupapa Māori), Beverly Mitchell (Community Board Coordinator), Rhonda-May Whiu (Democracy Advisor), Peggy Veen (Principal Advisor)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Chair Belinda Ward commenced the meeting and Kaiarahi Kaupapa Māori Lawrence Wharerau opened with a karakia.

2 NGĀ WHAKAPĀHA ME NGĀ PĀNGA MEMA / APOLOGIES AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2026/1

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Member Dane Hawker

That the apology received from Members Jane Hindle, Jo Alexander and Roddy Hapati-Pihema be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

Deputy Chair Tyler Bamber declared a conflict of interest relating to funding applications 7.3f and 7.3g.
Chair Belinda Ward declared a perceived conflict of interest relating to funding application 7.3c

3 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATANUI / PUBLIC FORUM

Kathleen Reihana – Mid-North Pop-Up Play Trust

4 NGĀ KAIKŌRERO / SPEAKERS

- Lucy and Donald Ripia representing Earth Citizens Organisation Charitable Trust agenda item 7.3 refers.
- Valevale Tapu Tonga representing New Zealand Kahoa Tauleva Trust 2000 agenda item 7.3 refers.
- Annika Dickey and Vince Buxton representing Our Kerikeri Community Charitable Trust agenda item 7.3 refers.
- Joanna Reti representing Te Kura o Waikare agenda item 7.3 refers.

- Hana-May Riedlinger-Kapa and Teranoriwa Pene representing The Centre at Kerikeri Ltd agenda item 7.3 refers.
- Daniele Cook representing Kerikeri Community Childcare Trust agenda item 7.3 refers.
- Gerry Paul representing The Centre Kerikeri Limited agenda item 7.3 refers.

5 TE WHAKAAETANGA O NGĀ MENETI O MUA / CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 6.1 document number A5921961, pages 8 – 17 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/2

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Member Dane Hawker

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board confirm the minutes of the meeting held 6 August 2026 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned from 11.26 am to 11.54 am.

6 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

6.1 NEW ROAD NAME: LOT 1 DP 608165 WHARAU ROAD, KERIKERI

Agenda item 7.1 document number A5907262, pages 18 – 23 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/3

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber
Seconded: Member Dane Hawker

That Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board name a right of way "Stonefields Road" located at Lot 1 DP 608165 Wharau Road, Kerikeri.

CARRIED

6.2 TAUPŌ BAY STEPS – AMENDMENT TO TERMS OF REFERENCE

Agenda item 7.2 document number A5924464, pages 24 – 33 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/4

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Member Korey Atama

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board adopt the amended Terms of Reference for the Taupō Bay Steps Encroachment Working Group.

CARRIED

6.3a FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 – 58 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/5

Moved: Member Korey Atama

Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $4,642 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund account to Earth Citizens Organisation and Charitable Trust for costs towards 2026 Forest Healing Festival.

CARRIED

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

6.3b FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 – 58 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $2,000 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund account to New Zealand Kaho Tauleva Trust 2000 for costs towards youth camp at Paihia.

LOST

Abstained: Ann Court

6.3c FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 – 58 refers

Funding application for New Zealand Opera Ltd-Toiere Waitangi Concert has been deferred to the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board October meeting at the request of the applicant.

6.3d FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 - 58 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/5

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber

RESOLUTION 2026/6

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $10,000 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund to Our Kerikeri Community Charitable Trust for costs towards Kerikeri Tourism initiative.

In Favour: Chairperson Belinda Ward, Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber, Member Dane Hawker and Cr Arohanui Allen
Abstained: Member Korey Atama and Cr Ann Court

CARRIED

6.3e FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 - 58 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/7

Moved: Member Korey Atama
Seconded: Chairperson Belinda Ward

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $9,659 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund account to Te Kura o Waikare for costs towards Te Kura o Waikare 150 year anniversary.

CARRIED

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

6.3f FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 - 58 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/8

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Member Dane Hawker

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $6,500 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund account to Turner Centre for costs towards Kaiārahi Curates: Toi Māori Season.

CARRIED

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

6.3g FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 - 58 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/9

Moved: Member Dane Hawker
Seconded: Member Korey Atama

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $7,000 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund account to Turner Centre for costs towards Carnaval Latino.

CARRIED

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

6.3h FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 - 58 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/10

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board leave to lie application for the sum of $5,000 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund account to Kawakawa Business Association for costs towards Kawakawa Christmas in the Park.

CARRIED

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

6.3i FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 - 58 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/11

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber
Seconded: Chairperson Belinda Ward

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $2,000 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Community Grant Fund account to Turning Pointe Dance for costs towards Echoes Through Time – A Showcase of Ballet.

CARRIED

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

At 12:38am, Councillor Arohanui Allen left the meeting.

6.3j FUNDING APPLICATION

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5920352, pages 34 - 58 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Member Dane Hawker

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of $8,243 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Board's Pride of Place Fund account to Kerikeri Community Childcare Trust for costs towards installation of an independent water tank supply.

LOST

Abstained: Cr Ann Court

6.4 PROJECT FUNDING REPORTS

Agenda item 7.4 document number A5922206, pages 59 - 72 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/12

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board note the project reports received from:

a) Manawanuitia Kaumatuatanga o Whangaroa
b) Turner Centre – Te Wiki o Waitangi 2026
c) Bay of Islands Country Rock Festival

CARRIED

6.5 RUSSELL PLACEMAKING - ENDORSEMENT OF FINAL DESIGN FOR CASS STREET

Supplementary Agenda item 7.5 document number A5905923, pages 4 - 26 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/13

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board:

a) Recommend that Council approve, and request that Te Koukou Committee for Transport and Infrastructure endorse to Council for approval the final design plan for Cass Street and The Strand, per Attachment 1, with the following changes (as detailed in Section 2 of this report):

i. Shift proposed pedestrian safety bollards, provide additional signage, and install a cycle parking rack.

ii. Endorses grey-tinted concrete as the proposed construction material for the raised crossing entrance to Cass St (from York St).

b) Recommend that Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation approve:

i. the Parking Bylaw Schedules and Maps be amended as indicated in the final design plan for changes to The Strand and Cass Street in Russell-Kororāreka, per Attachment 1, with the following changes (as detailed in Section 2 of this report), once the new parking spaces have been installed and marked out, and the appropriate signage has been erected.

ii. the Road Use Bylaw be amended as indicated in the final design plan for changes to The Strand and Cass Street in Russell-Kororāreka, per Attachment 1, with the following changes (as detailed in Section 2 of this report).

CARRIED

Secretarial note: *Members pointed out that delay in works presents a significant Health and Safety risk for the residents and visitor of Russell.*

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

7.1 CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS REPORTS

Agenda item 8.1 document number A5922031, pages 73 - 82 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/14

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Member Korey Atama

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board note the September 2026 member reports from Chair Belinda Ward, Deputy Chair Tyler Bamber and Members Jo Alexander, Dane Hawker and Jane Hindle.

CARRIED

7.2 BAY OF ISLANDS-WHANGAROA COMMUNITY BOARD OPEN RESOLUTION AND ACTIONS UPDATE REPORT

Agenda item 8.2 document number A5922060, pages 83 - 90 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/15

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward
Seconded: Member Korey Atama

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board receive the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Open Resolution and Actions Update Report.

CARRIED

8 TE KAPINGA HUI / MEETING CLOSE

At 1:41pm the meeting was closed with a karakia.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Meeting held on 1 October 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON