

AGENDA

Ordinary Council Meeting

Membership:

Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania - Chairperson
Kohepu - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin
Cr Arohanui Allen
Cr Rachel Baucke
Cr Ann Court
Cr Felicity Foy
Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira
Cr Tāmāti Rākena
Cr Davina Smolders
Cr Kelly Stratford
Cr John Vujcich

Thursday, 5 March 2026

Time: 10:00 AM

Council Chamber

Memorial Ave

Kaikohe

**Far North District Council
Ordinary Council Meeting**
will be held in the Council Chamber, Memorial Ave, Kaikohe on:
Thursday 5 March 2026 at 10:00 AM

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1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Ka tuku mātou kia kaha mai ngā māngai kua whiriwhirihia mō Te Kaunihera o Te Hiku o te Ika ki te mahi me te ngākau auaha me te whakamahi i ngā pūkenga me te mātauranga i roto i ngā wānanga me ngā whakataunga kia whakatūria ai tētahi Hapori e matatika ana, e tū kotahi ana ka mutu ka whakapiki anō i te oranga o tō tātou rohe, ka whakatau anō i ngā take o te rohe i runga i te tika me te pono.

We ask that through Council discussions and decisions the representatives we have elected may govern the Far North District with imagination, skill and wisdom to achieve a fairer and more united Community that enhances the wellbeing of our district and solves the District's problems efficiently and effectively.

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

Members need to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a Member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to Members to review the matters on the agenda and assess and identify where they may have a pecuniary or other conflict of interest, or where there may be a perception of a conflict of interest.

If a Member feels they do have a conflict of interest, they should publicly declare that at the start of the meeting or of the relevant item of business and refrain from participating in the discussion or voting on that item. If a Member thinks they may have a conflict of interest, they can seek advice from the Chief Executive Officer or the Manager - Democracy Services (preferably before the meeting).

It is noted that while members can seek advice the final decision as to whether a conflict exists rests with the member.

[Elected Member - Register of Interests](#)

3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATIONS

Tyrone Biddle – Protect our Community and Tamariki: Address Roaming and Dangerous Dogs.

4 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE KAHIKA / MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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5 HE PĀNUI WHAKAMŌTINI / NOTICE OF MOTION**5.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - EXTERNAL REVIEW OF RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR POSITIONS WITHIN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE****File Number: A5554846**

I, Councillor Davina Smolders, give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 5 March 2026, I intend to move the following motion:

MŌTINI / MOTION**That the Far North District Council:**

- 1. Notes the recently advertised recruitment for three positions within the Mayor's Office.**
- 2. Requests that an independent external review of the recruitment, shortlisting, and appointment process be commissioned prior to final appointment decisions being confirmed.**
- 3. Directs that the review assess:**
 - Whether the recruitment and selection processes are robust, transparent and impartial**
 - Whether the process reflects widely accepted standards of merit-based appointment**
 - Whether steps have been taken to manage potential conflicts of interest, perceived or actual**
 - Whether the process aligns with Council policies, Human Resources best practice, and public expectations for positions funded by ratepayers**
- 4. Requests that the findings of the independent review be reported to the full Council and made publicly available, subject to lawful privacy requirements.**
- 5. Requests that no appointment be finalised until the review findings have been presented to Council.**
- 6. Requests that, where practicable, Council pause final appointments until the review findings are received.**
- 7. If the appointments are made prior to this Notice of Motion being heard or resolved, requires that the external review still proceed and examine the full process retrospectively, with recommendations for improvement (if any) reported to Council.**

TAKE / RATIONALE

Public confidence in Council decision-making depends on recruitment processes being transparent, impartial, and demonstrably free from bias. This is particularly important when appointments are made directly into the Mayor's Office, where individuals will have access to sensitive information, elected members, and political decision-making.

Three paid positions within the Mayor's Office are currently being recruited. It is understood that close family members of a Councillor and the Mayor, and a close friend of the Mayor, have applied and may be considered for appointment. This creates a clear perception-of-interest risk, even if fully disclosed and well managed.

Other Mayors throughout the county often and recently commission an external review in comparable circumstances, in order to protect public confidence following the appointment of a relative or close friend. Those actions set an important national benchmark for transparency and good governance.

A proactive Notice of Motion filed before any appointments are confirmed keeps the issue squarely on principles and process. Once individuals are known, concerns risk being interpreted as personal, political, or directed at the successful candidate.

This NOM seeks:

- Protection of the Mayor's Office reputation
- Protection of the Mayor
- Protection of staff and applicants
- Assurance for elected members
- Confidence for the community and ratepayers

An external review provides a neutral mechanism to establish integrity, confirm compliance with policy, and reassure the public that FNDC upholds recognised standards of merit, fairness, and conflict management.

I commend this Notice of Motion to Council.

ĀPITIHANGA / ATTACHMENTS

1. **Staff Briefing Office of the Mayor NOM - A5590235** [↓](#) 

Hōtaka Take Ōkawa / Compliance Schedule: Completed by Democracy Services Staff

Meeting procedures are set out in the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA), the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), and Standing Orders. Standing Orders Clause 26 outlines procedures for Notices of Motion.

Please note that nothing in this standing order removes the requirement to meet the provisions of Part 6, LGA with regard to consultation and decision-making.

Full consideration must be given to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 S77 in relation to decision making, in particular:

1. A Local authority must, in the course of the decision-making process,
 - a) Seek to identify all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision; and
 - b) Assess the options in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and
 - c) If any of the options identified under paragraph (a) involves a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water sites, waahi tapu, valued flora and fauna and other taonga.
2. This section is subject to Section 79 - Compliance with procedures in relation to decisions.

He Take Ōkawa / Compliance Requirement	Aromatawai Kaimahi / Staff Assessment
State the level of significance (high or low) of the issue or proposal as determined by the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy	This notice of motion is of low significance.
State the relevant Council policies (external or internal), legislation, and/or community outcomes (as stated in the LTP) that relate to this decision.	Council have previously granted the Chief Executive delegation to make submissions. A review of these delegations will be undertaken in the new year.
State whether this issue or proposal has a District wide relevance and, if not, the ways in which the appropriate Community Board's views have been sought.	District-wide relevance. Community Board views have not been sought.
State the possible implications for Māori and how Māori have been provided with an opportunity to contribute to decision making if this decision is significant and relates to land and/or any body of water. State the possible implications and how this report aligns with Te Tiriti o Waitangi / The Treaty of Waitangi.	No direct implications identified.
Identify persons likely to be affected by or have an interest in the matter, and how you have given consideration to their views or preferences (for example – youth, the aged and those with disabilities).	This does not impact any identified persons under legislation.

State the financial implications and where budgetary provisions have been made to support this decision.	No financial implications.
Chief Financial Officer review.	The Chief Financial Officer has not reviewed this report.



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Staff Briefing: Response to Office of the Mayor Notice of Motion

Reporting Officer: Emma Healy, Chief of Staff
February 2026

Ngā whāinga | Purpose

This briefing provides elected members with information to support consideration of the Notice of Motion lodged by Cr Davina Smolders and seconded by Cr Rachel Baucke, seeking an independent external review of the recruitment and appointment process for the newly expanded Mayor's Office roles. It outlines:

- The purpose and functions of the new roles
- How the roles are being funded
- The recruitment process undertaken to date
- How conflicts of interest have been identified and managed
- Responses to key matters raised in the Notice of Motion

Horopaki | Context

In late 2025, the Chief Executive approved three new positions to expand the Mayor's Office to improve strategic support, information flow, and coordination across governance and operational functions. The Mayor's Office would comprise three dedicated new positions - Executive Officer, Communications Advisor, and Research Analyst - sitting alongside the existing Executive Assistant to the Mayor and Deputy Mayor role and reporting to the Chief of Staff.

The intent of the structure is to:

- Strengthen strategic capacity for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor
- Improve consistency and quality of advice
- Enhance community engagement and communications
- Support information flow between Council operations and elected members

This model responds to identified gaps in support capability.

Takohanga | Roles and responsibilities (summary)

The three new roles are designed to work as an integrated unit, each contributing distinct expertise while collectively increasing the Council's strategic capacity, resilience, and responsiveness.

Executive Officer

- Leads the Mayor's Office, overseeing workflow, priorities, and coordination
- Ensures high-quality advice and briefing material for the Mayor
- Manages internal liaison with Democracy Services, Communications, Policy & Planning, and the CE's Office

Communications Advisor

- Produces Mayoral communications, speeches, media engagement
- Supports proactive and reactive communications in alignment with corporate messaging

Research Analyst

- Provides research, analysis, and policy scanning to support Mayoral advocacy and strategic initiatives
- Reduces the need for external consultancy and/or lack of information for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor by strengthening in-house capability

Full job descriptions were included when advertised. Collectively, the roles are intended to deliver improved Council-wide coordination, resilience, and strategic depth in governance support.

Pūtea moni | Funding

Funding for the new roles is being met through:

- Existing salary underspend across staffing budgets
- Longer-term offset through reallocation of existing vacant position budget

Reviewing vacant positions is standard practice and undertaken periodically to determine whether the positions are required and/or whether the position functions can be performed through an alternative mechanism.

Taritari | Recruitment process

- *Advertising*
Once the roles had been approved by the Chief Executive, job descriptions confirmed and salary ranges determined by external specialist remuneration provider Strategic Pay, the roles were advertised from Friday 21 November - Wed 10 December on Seek, FNDC internal job board and Zeil website.
- *Longlisting and Shortlisting*
A longlist and skills matrix were developed by People & Capability for each position. Applications and the matrix were shared transparently with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor. Shortlisting was undertaken by the interview panel: Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief of Staff (noting any potential conflicts of interests were managed according to the Conflict of Interest Management section below).
- *Interview Process*
Structured interviews were held, with standardised and role-specific questions. First interview panels were made up of at least two people from: Kahika Moko Tepania, Kohepu Chicky Rudkin, Chief of Staff Emma Healy.
Interview notes were recorded for consistency and audit purposes.
Panel attendance was determined as per conflict of interest management, with the Chief of Staff sitting on all interviews
A second informal interview step was planned before appointments made
- *Selection and Next Steps*
Preferred candidates were identified and notified.
Pre-employment checks (references, Ministry of Justice checks) are underway.
The Executive Officer appointment has been finalised, appointments to the Research Analyst and Communications Advisor have not been made at the time of writing this briefing.

Conflict of Interest Management

Conflicts of interest were documented, disclosed, and mitigation steps applied.

Mitigation Actions

- Interview panel members recused from shortlisting and interviewing for roles where there was an actual conflict.
- Participation allowed in general discussion only where a possible perceived (but not actual) conflict existed.
- Full participation only where no conflict was declared.
- All declarations and decisions were formally recorded and signed off by the Chief of Staff.

This approach is consistent with Council's Conflict of Interest Policy and wider public sector best practice.

Response to Key Notice of Motion Points

Transparency and Impartiality

The recruitment process applied structured tools (skills matrices, standardised questions, recorded notes) and independent specialist support through the Chief of Staff. Panel composition and recusal protocols ensured decisions were made free from undue influence.

Merit-Based Selection

The use of a structured skills matrix, documented interview assessments, and pre-employment checks collectively support a merit-based approach.

Conflict of Interest Management

The process applied full disclosure, recusal where required, and a formalised participation matrix.

Alignment with Council Policy and Public Expectations

Process steps align with People & Capability best practice, Local Government standards for transparency, fairness, and defensible appointment decisions and FNDC's internal Recruitment Policy.

External Review Considerations

In considering the Notice of Motion, Council should consider:

Cost

- Depending on the scope of the external review, approximate costs would be in the region of \$3,500 for an external People & Capability specialist to undertake a review, which has not been accounted for in budgets. Additional indirect costs will be incurred in terms of staff time required to brief the reviewer, collate documents and participate in any meetings to clarify process.

Policy Alignment and Legal Risk

- As identified in this briefing, the recruitment process has been carried out in accordance with FNDC's internal Recruitment Policy and recognised Local Government standards for transparency, fairness, and defensible appointment decisions. Council should assess whether any identified risks are significant enough to warrant an external audit, or whether the current level of compliance is sufficient.

Perception and Public Confidence

- While the internal process is consistent with best practice, Council may consider how an independent review would impact public confidence, and whether there is potential to create a lack of confidence in staff processes already followed. This in turn impacts staff morale. (NB The External Advisory Group recruitment for Northland Waters Done Well was led by the FNDC Chief of Staff and externally audited. The results of this were shared with the Elected Member Steering Group and only minor suggestions for improvement were made, with the review noting '*Overall, the reviewer's conclusion is that the recruitment and selection process for EAG members was robust and well-structured, and reasonable steps were taken to preserve impartiality to the degree possible in the particular context. The process can be seen to have adequately met commonly accepted principles of effective recruitment and selection...*') Council should consider whether seeking an external review would appropriately address the concerns raised by the public and in the Notice of Motion regarding the creation of these roles, and not the process followed as part of standard recruitment practice.

Timeliness and Impact on Appointments

- An external review may introduce delays to finalising remaining appointments, potentially impacting operational readiness of the Mayor's Office. Council may wish to consider whether postponing appointments aligns with organisational priorities and the Mayor's support needs.

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

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

File Number: A5526510

Author: Natasha Rmandic, Democracy Advisor

Authoriser: Aisha Huriwai, Manager - Democracy Services

TAKE PŪRONGO / PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The minutes are attached to allow Council to confirm that the minutes are a true and correct record of previous meetings.

TŪTOHUNGA / RECOMMENDATION

That Council confirm:

- a) The minutes of the meeting held 11 December 2025 as a true and correct record;
- b) The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held 10 February 2026 as a true and correct record.

1) TĀHUHU KŌRERO / BACKGROUND

Local Government Act 2002 Schedule 7 Section 28 states that a local authority must keep minutes of its proceedings. The minutes of these proceedings duly entered and authenticated as prescribed by a local authority are prima facie evidence of those meetings.

2) MATAPAKI ME NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA / DISCUSSION AND OPTIONS

The minutes of the Council meeting held 11 December 2025 are attached:

Far North District Council Standing Orders Section 27.3 states that no discussion shall arise on the substance of the minutes in any succeeding meeting, except as to their correctness.





TAKE TŪTOHUNGA / REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

The reason for the recommendation is to confirm the minutes are a true and correct record of the previous meetings.

3) PĀNGA PŪTEA ME NGĀ WĀHANGA TAHUA / FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGETARY PROVISION

There are no financial implications or the need for budgetary provision as a result of this report.

ĀPITIHINGA / ATTACHMENTS

1. Council Ordinary Meeting 11-12-2025 Minutes - A5503096  
2. Council Extraordinary Meeting 10-02-2026 Minutes - A5570752  

Hōtaka Take Ōkawa / Compliance Schedule:

Full consideration has been given to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 S77 in relation to decision making, in particular:

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 - a) Seek to identify all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision; and
 - b) Assess the options in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and
 - c) If any of the options identified under paragraph (a) involves a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water sites, waahi tapu, valued flora and fauna and other taonga.
2. This section is subject to Section 79 - Compliance with procedures in relation to decisions.

He Take Ōkawa / Compliance Requirement	Aromatawai Kaimahi / Staff Assessment
State the level of significance (high or low) of the issue or proposal as determined by the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy	This is a matter of low significance.
State the relevant Council policies (external or internal), legislation, and/or community outcomes (as stated in the LTP) that relate to this decision.	This report complies with the Local Government Act 2002 Schedule 7 Section 28.
State whether this issue or proposal has a District wide relevance and, if not, the ways in which the appropriate Community Board's views have been sought.	It is the responsibility of each meeting to confirm their minutes therefore the views of another meeting are not relevant.
State the possible implications for Māori and how Māori have been provided with an opportunity to contribute to decision making if this decision is significant and relates to land and/or any body of water. State the possible implications and how this report aligns with Te Tiriti o Waitangi / The Treaty of Waitangi.	There are no implications for Māori in confirming minutes from previous meeting. Any implications on Māori arising from matters included in meeting minutes should be considered as part of the relevant report.
Identify persons likely to be affected by or have an interest in the matter, and how you have given consideration to their views or preferences (for example – youth, the aged and those with disabilities).	This report is asking for minutes to be confirmed as true and correct record, any interests that affect other people should be considered as part of the individual reports
State the financial implications and where budgetary provisions have been made to support this decision.	There are no financial implications or the need for budgetary provision arising from this report
Chief Financial Officer review.	The CFO has not reviewed this report.

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**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVE, KAIKOHE
ON THURSDAY, 11 DECEMBER 2025 AT 10:05 AM**

- PRESENT:** Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kohepu – Deputy Mayor Cr Chicky Rudkin, Cr Arohanui Allen, Cr Rachel Baucke, Cr Ann Court, Cr Felicity Foy, Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Cr Kelly Stratford, Cr Davina Smolders, Cr Tāmāti Rākena, Cr John Vujcich
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Chair Jessie McVeagh (Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board), Chair Bill Subritzky (Te Hiku Community Board), Chair Belinda Ward (Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board), Kawiti Waetford (Kaiwhakawhiti Reo Language Interpreter)
- STAFF PRESENT:** Nicola Griffin (Senior Communications & Engagement Advisor), Rebecca Rowsell (Senior Solicitor), Jacine Warmington (GM – Strategic Relationships), Briar Macken (Manager – Strategy & Policy), Virginia Smith (Policy Advisor), Shelly Wharton (Manager – Infrastructure Engineering), Roger Ackers (GM – Policy & Planning), Ken Macdonald (Chief Financial Officer), Lawrence Wharerau (Acting Pouhautu – Te Hono), Ken Lewis (Manager – Communications & Engagement), Margriet Veenstra (Transportation Business Manager), Aisha Huriwai (Manager – Democracy Services), Marlema Baker (Te Kuaka Coordinator)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania commenced the meeting with the Council karakia/prayer.

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

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2025/131

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
Seconded: Cr Chicky Rudkin

That an apology be received from Cr Foy for lateness.

CARRIED

Note:

Additional apologies were received from Senior Leadership Team and Managers: Charlie Billington, Emma Healy, Nicola Smith and Carla Ditchfield. Ruben Garcia attending online.

3 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE KAHIKA / MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Maramataka –Tangaroa-a-roto
- Acknowledges the peruperu packhouse whanau in Ngāwhā who are harvesting peruperu now.
- Elected Member Reports – These will be tabled at the new Governance and Operational monthly briefing meetings which will be livestreamed. Thank you to Deputy Mayor Rudkin, Crs Stratford, Halkyard-Harawira and Allen for providing a report. Each month the elected member reports will be uploaded to the Council website.
Note: Democracy Services will distribute the report template via Friday Notices.
- Christmas Events: thanks to the Communications team for putting together a list:

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- Te Hiku
 - Far North Christmas in the Sky at the AMP Showgrounds
 - Te Hāpua Santa Parade and Whanau Day.
- Bay of Islands-Whangaroa
 - Kerikeri/Waipapa - Mitre 10 Community Christmas event
 - Moerewa Christmas in the Park – Simpson Park Domain
 - Tōtara North Christmas Market
 - Christmas Skate Night - Bay Sport Waipapa
- Kaikohe-Hokianga
 - Christmas in Awarua
 - Ōkaihau Christmas Parade – Ōkaihau Rugby Grounds
 - Christmas Dinner at the Sands in Ōmāpere
- Acknowledgement from the Mayor to all Elected Members and staff for a happy Christmas.
- Acknowledging Russell/Kororāreka Cemetery opening of Phase 1 and thank you to Elected Members who attended.
- Reminder – Council closed from 12pm on the 24th December 2025 to the 5th January 2026. The call-centre will be operating during the closure.

4 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION

- **Yvonne Repia-Mutu Chair of Ngā Uri Whakatupu o Hokianga and Mori Rapana – Māngungu Commemorations 2026.**
 - Requests funding support and traffic management planning as well as dust suppressant.
 - In 2025 there were significant health & safety risks that need to be mitigated.
 - Longterm aspiration is to see the roads fixed/sealed.
- **Missy Rivers – Stoney Creek Settlement Road - Paekaui (Tabled Document: A5509360)**
 - Proposes a joint management.
 - FNDC, MPI, DoC and NRC have been to the site and marked the kauri locations.
 - No issue with the roads being closed off.
 - Emergency Services would just require gate keys for each end.
 - Controlled Area Notice is needed.
- **Robert Adams – Housing for the Elderly verbal submission. (online)**
- **Josh Kirby (KBA Chair) – 11 Matthews Ave Petition received by Kahika Moko Tepania (Tabled Document: A5509358)**
 - Acknowledges the passing of Mr Monty Knight
 - Acknowledges Mayor and Elected Members (returning and new)
 - Respectfully request that Mayor Moko Tepania and Elected Members of the Far North District Council:
 1. Rescind the motion authorising the demolition of the former Warehouse building located on Matthews Avenue, Kaitaia.
 2. Pause all actions relating to this demolition, including the engagement or contracting of any demolition services.
 3. Defer further decisions regarding the future use or development of the site until after the new Council is formally established following the 2025 local body elections.

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4. Undertake open and transparent public consultation with the wider community before any decisions are made on the future of this site, allowing residents, businesses, and stakeholders the opportunity to provide feedback and ideas.

Meeting adjourned at 11:03 am and resumed at 11:18 am.

Cr Foy arrived at 10:16 am.

5 HE PĀNUI WHAKAMŌTINI / NOTICE OF MOTION

5.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - APPROVAL OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT SUBMISSIONS

Agenda item 5.1 document number A5482537, pages 6 - 8 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Davina Smolders

Seconded: Cr Ann Court

That the Far North District Council adopt the following policy and procedural requirement:

Any submission, representation, or formal position statement made to central government, its ministries, agencies, or parliamentary select committees in the name of the Far North District Council must be approved by the full Council prior to being lodged, unless a specific delegation has been expressly resolved by Council for that particular submission.

In Favour: Cr Davina Smolders

Against: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kohepu – Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin, Arohanui Allen, Rachel Baucke, Ann Court, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Kelly Stratford, Tāmāti Rākena and John Vujcich

LOST 1/10

NOTE:

- *GM Policy & Planning to bring the current process back to Council (by 3 March 2026) along with a formal process for all select committee submissions to the Mayor.*
- *Current delegated authority sits with the Mayor and CE.*
- *All select committee submissions will come to Council (via extraordinary meeting) in the interim until a process is confirmed.*

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7.8 RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE SEALING OF MARAE & KŌHANGA REO ROADS

Supplementary agenda item 7.8 document number A5483419, pages 21 - 62 refers.

RESOLUTION 2025/132

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

That Council:

- a) Endorse the strategic approach of the Unsealed Roads Strategy for unsealed roads:**
- i. Agree to include the identified Marae and Kōhanga Reo sites in the prioritised programme for road sealing and dust mitigation**
 - ii. Direct the Chief Executive to continue working closely with Waka Kotahi NZTA to secure funding for dust mitigation at high-risk sites, including those affecting Marae and Kōhanga Reo, and to report back on the outcome of these funding discussions.**
 - iii. Direct the Chief Executive to finalise the Unsealed Roads Strategy and present the updated dust risk findings and Draft Dust Control Policy for Council approval by mid-2026.**
 - iv. Direct the Chief Executive to incorporate budgetary requirements into the next Annual Plan and LTP.**

Abstained: Cr Davina Smolders

CARRIED

5.2 NOTICE OF MOTION - SEALING OF MARAE AND KŌHANGA REO

Supplementary agenda item 5.2 document number A5312369, pages 5 - 13 refers.

The Mover of this Notice of Motion was satisfied with the staff response provided in *item 7.8 Response to Notice of Motion for the Sealing of Marae & Kōhanga Reo Roads* (document number A5483419, pages 21 - 62 of the Supplementary Agenda) and hereby rescinds this Notice of Motion.

5.3 NOTICE OF MOTION - REVIEW OF MANA WHAKAHONO Ā ROHE AGREEMENT AND MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING

Supplementary agenda item 5.2 document number A5497095, pages 14 - 20 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Davina Smolders

That the Far North District Council:

- 1. Notes concerns that the Ngāpuhi Mana Whakahono a Rohe (MWaR) and the Te Rarawa and Ngāti Rēhia Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) may give rise to potential breaches of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Local Government Act 2002, the Regulatory Standards Act 2025, and the Far North District Council Significance and Engagement Policy.*
- 2. Initiates a review of the Ngāpuhi MWaR and the Te Rarawa and Ngāti Rēhia MOUs to identify and report on any such potential breaches or areas of non-compliance, including*

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but not limited to issues of significance, consultation, transfer of powers, fettering of discretion, property rights, equality before the law, transparency of costs, and long term financial obligations.

3. *Directs the Chief Executive to report back to Council with the findings of that review and clear options for addressing any identified breaches or risks, including any amendments, reconsideration or other remedial actions that may be required.*

FAILED – LACK OF SECONDER

12:21 pm meeting adjourned and returned at 12:28 pm.

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

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 6.1 document number A5481976, pages 9 - 20 refers.

RESOLUTION 2025/133

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council confirm the minutes of the meeting held 26 November 2025 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

7.1 REVENUE AND FINANCING POLICY AMENDMENT

Agenda item 7.1 document number A5448566, pages 21 - 79 refers.

RESOLUTION 2025/134

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Kelly Stratford

That Council:

- a) **Endorse the proposed amendments to the Revenue and Finance Policy found in Attachment 2.**
- b) **Adopt the Proposal in Attachment 4 to be released for public consultation to meet the requirements of section 82 of the Local Government Act 2002.**
- c) **Approves the period for making written submissions on the proposal will be a minimum of 4 weeks.**
- d) **Delegates authority to the Mayor to decide on the date of any oral presentation/s of submissions.**
- e) **Authorises the Chief Executive to make any necessary minor drafting or presentation amendments to the attached supporting documents to correct errors or omissions, or to reflect the decisions made by the Council prior to final publication and public release.**

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AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Felicity Foy

- f) ~~Consult in the first quarter of 2026 to change the revenue and financing policy tomorrow to address the land drainage/stormwater rate.~~
- g) ~~To undertake public notification about an option to move to capital based rating and also to change the UAGC to review it and also a change to consider introducing a commercial rates policy for all commercial accommodation.~~
- h) ~~To consult to review our target rates to change/review the roading targeted rate.~~

FAILED – LACK OF SECONDER

Against: Cr Davina Smolders
 Abstained: Crs Arohanui Allen and Rachel Baucke

CARRIED

NOTE:
 Staff to provide a workshop or briefing on the Development Contributions Policy including its history and background.

12:54 pm Cr Halkyard-Harawira left the meeting and joined online at 1:30 pm.

8.1 COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

Agenda item 8.1 document number A5488428, pages 224 - 241 refers.

RESOLUTION 2025/135

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
 Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council note the minutes from the following Community Board meetings:

- a) **Te Hiku Community Board Meeting held 24 November 2025;**
- b) **Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Meeting 27 November 2025;**
- c) **Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Meeting held on 28 November 2025.**

CARRIED

Secretarial Notes:

Chair Bill Subritzky – Te Hiku Community Board

- *Inquired about rules regarding use of Council and Community Board logos and how they are presented on event posters.*
Staff Note: follow-up on discussion around FNDC branding in relation to events that involve alcohol and alcohol sales.
- *11 Matthews Ave, Kaitāia – this was not a transparent process in the Boards view.*
- *Highlighted lack of training and/or a handover from previous elected members during induction*
Staff Note: GM – Strategic Relationships and Manager – Democracy Services to follow-up

Chair Belinda Ward

- *Would like Council to consider increasing the Community Board funding budgets through the Annual Plan & Long Term Plan process as there is increased strain on social sectors in communities.*
- *Hopes that Community Boards don't have to reiterate requesting discretionary funding moving forward.*

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- *Would like Council to reintroduce Events & Marketing Manager position and budget.*
- *Acknowledges staff for getting pertinent reports into Community Board agendas.*

Chair Jessie McVeagh

- *Acknowledged everyone who attended the Kaikohe-Hokianga Ward Tour*
- *Acknowledged the Christmas events in each ward.*
- *Requested support on inducting new members.*
- *Working on the Community Board’s strategic priorities.*
- *More Housing/Social Housing needed.*
- *Homelessness – people living in cars.*
- *Pressure on wastewater and drinking water.*
- *Māngungu – one of Hokianga’s biggest events.*
- *Acknowledged Council staff and Crs appointed to the Board.*

Meeting adjourned 1:30 pm and resumed 2:10 pm.

7.4 SETTING OF REMUNERATION FOR COUNCILLORS FOR THE 2025-2028 TRIENNIUM

Agenda item 7.4 document number A5449112, pages 129 - 131 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Baucke

Seconded: Cr Ann Court

That Council adopt a structure that allocates additional roles with a percentage weighting for additional remuneration as follows:

- Deputy Mayor 15%*
- Committee Chair 15%*
- Portfolio Holders 7%*
- Community Board Appointment 5%*

This would then equate to:

COUNCILLOR	TOTAL LOADING %	NOTES
<i>Rudkin (Deputy Mayor)</i>	<i>44%</i>	<i>15% Deputy Mayor + 15% Chair + 14% for two portfolios (single disclosed figure)</i>
<i>Rākena</i>	<i>15%</i>	<i>Committee Chair</i>
<i>Vujcich</i>	<i>27%</i>	<i>Committee Chair + Portfolio + Community Board</i>
<i>Foy</i>	<i>22%</i>	<i>Committee Chair + Portfolio</i>
<i>Stratford</i>	<i>22%</i>	<i>Committee Chair + Portfolio</i>
<i>Baucke</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>Two portfolios + Community Board</i>
<i>Court</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>Two portfolios + Community Board (Local Water Done Well emerging workload)</i>
<i>Allen</i>	<i>12%</i>	<i>Portfolio + Community Board</i>
<i>Halkyard-Harawira</i>	<i>5%</i>	<i>Community Board</i>

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<i>Smolders</i>	<i>0%</i>	<i>Base only</i>						
<p><i><u>In Favour:</u> Crs Rachel Baucke and Davina Smolders</i></p> <p><i><u>Against:</u> Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Crs Arohanui Allen, Ann Court, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Kelly Stratford, Tāmāti Rākena and John Vujcich</i></p> <p><i><u>Abstained:</u> Kohepu – Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin</i></p>								
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<p>Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania Seconded: Cr Kelly Stratford</p> <p>That the Council submit the following levels of remuneration to the Remuneration Authority for approval:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Deputy Mayor (1)</td> <td>\$160,007</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Committee Chairpersons (4)</td> <td>\$110,005</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Councillor Base Salary (5)</td> <td>\$ 85,700</td> </tr> </table>			Deputy Mayor (1)	\$160,007	Committee Chairpersons (4)	\$110,005	Councillor Base Salary (5)	\$ 85,700
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		LOST 1/8						
<i>The debate returned to the motion prior to the amendment.</i>								
RESOLUTION 2025/136								
<p>Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania Seconded: Cr Kelly Stratford</p> <p>That the Council submit the following levels of remuneration to the Remuneration Authority for approval:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Deputy Mayor (1)</td> <td>\$160,007</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Committee Chairpersons (4)</td> <td>\$110,005</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Councillor Base Salary (5)</td> <td>\$ 85,700</td> </tr> </table> <p><i><u>Against:</u> Cr Davina Smolders</i></p> <p><i><u>Abstained:</u> Kohepu – Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin and Cr Rachel Baucke</i></p>			Deputy Mayor (1)	\$160,007	Committee Chairpersons (4)	\$110,005	Councillor Base Salary (5)	\$ 85,700
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		CARRIED						

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2:37 pm Cr Halkyard-Harawira (online) left the meeting and returned 2:42 pm.

7.2 ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Agenda item 7.2 document number A5449114, pages 80 - 105 refers.

MOTION

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
 Seconded: Cr Kelly Stratford

That;

- a) Council adopt the attached Terms of References for the following Committees:
 - 1. Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships
 - 2. Te Miromiro Committee for Assurance, Risk and Finance
 - 3. Te Koekoeā Committee for Council Controlled Organisations
 - 4. Te Koukou Committee for Transport and Infrastructure
 - 5. Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance
 - 6. Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation
 - 7. Te Pīpīwharauora Committee for External Appointments
- b) in Te Kūkupa Terms of Reference, the words “Resource Management Act functions” will be changed to “Resource Management Reform matters”.
- c) the CE (or his appointed delegate) work with each of the Chairpersons to make minor and/or technical amendments and/or corrections to finalise their relevant Committee Terms of Reference.
- d) the following notes and updates are included:
 - In the Te Koekoeā Terms of Reference (agenda page 93 – Membership section) replace Mr Graeme McGlenn’s name with “appointed member”.
 - Cr Halkyard-Harawira be appointed to Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation.
 - Make the following correction (on page 102 Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation Terms of Reference) which to state: section 42(3)(a) and remove the following text: “(unless specifically delegated by Council)”.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Davina Smolders

That the Far North District Council amend the Terms of Reference for Te Kuaka, Te Miromiro, Te Koukou, Te Huia, Te Kūkupa, Te Koekoeā and Te Pīpīwharauora to incorporate the governance controls proposed by Councillor Davina Smolders in the agenda table on pages 82 to 85, including but not limited to:

- 1. *Explicit advisory status for Te Kuaka*
- 2. *Embedding affordability and rating impact criteria*
- 3. *Strengthened financial and capital oversight functions*
- 4. *Transparent external appointment processes*
- 5. *Mandatory performance and accountability measures for CCOs and the Chief Executive.*

FAILED LACK OF SECONDER

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AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Tāmami Rākena

Seconded: Cr Arohanui Allen

the following additions from Cr Rākena be included in the Terms of Reference for Te Kuaka Committee for Strategic Māori Relationships:

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- Proposed amendment – Te Kuaka Committee provides recommendations to full Council.
- Rational - Strengthens Council's relationship with iwi and hapū by promoting effective partnership models, improving engagement practices, and championing shared decision-making.
- Staff response – add - ..."add value to relationships with Māori"

Pg. 89

- ADD - Oversee Te Pae o Uta
- ADD – Continues with the development and implementation of Te Kuaka - Te Pae ki Tawhiti 2040 Strategic Intent.
- ADD – All committee members to have full speaking and voting rights.
- Point 1 - Build and sustain genuine, high-trust relationships based on He Whakaputanga and Te Tiriti o Waitangi.
- Point 4 – Develop and approve frameworks for partnership, engagement, monitoring and reporting.
- Point 7 – Provide direction to the governing body on relationship strategies and opportunities.
- Point 10 – direct to Council, as appropriate, in conducting and maintaining effective, good faith working relationships with te Iwi Māori (e.g Iwi Hapū Environmental Management Plans).

In Favour: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kohepu – Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin, Crs Arohanui Allen, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Tāmami Rākena, Kelly Stratford and John Vujcich

Against: Cr Davina Smolders

Abstained: Crs Rachel Baucke and Ann Court

CARRIED 8/1

The amendment became the substantive motion:

RESOLUTION 2025/137

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Kelly Stratford

That;

a) Council adopt the attached Terms of References for the following Committees:

- 1. Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships**
- 2. Te Miromiro Committee for Assurance, Risk and Finance**
- 3. Te Koekoeā Committee for Council Controlled Organisations**
- 4. Te Koukou Committee for Transport and Infrastructure**

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<p>5. Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance</p> <p>6. Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation</p> <p>7. Te Pīpīwharauoa Committee for External Appointments</p> <p>b) in Te Kūkupa Terms of Reference, the words “Resource Management Act functions” will be changed to “Resource Management Reform matters”.</p> <p>c) the CE (or his appointed delegate) work with each of the Chairpersons to make minor and/or technical amendments and/or corrections to finalise their relevant Committee Terms of Reference.</p> <p>d) the following notes and updates are included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – In the Te Koekoeā Terms of Reference (agenda page 93 – Membership section) replace Mr Graeme McGlenn’s name with “appointed member”. – Cr Halkyard-Harawira be appointed to Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation. – Make the following correction (on page 102 Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation Terms of Reference) which to state: <u>section 42(3)(a)</u> and remove the following text: “<u>(unless specifically delegated by Council)</u>”. <p>e) the following additions from Cr Rākena be included in the Terms of Reference for Te Kuaka Committee for Strategic Māori Relationships:</p> <p>Pg. 82</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Proposed amendment – Te Kuaka Committee provides recommendations to full Council. – Rational - Strengthens Council’s relationship with iwi and hapū by promoting effective partnership models, improving engagement practices, and championing shared decision-making. – Staff response – add - ...”add value to relationships with Māori” <p>Pg. 89</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – ADD - Oversee Te Pae o Uta – ADD – Continues with the development and implementation of Te Kuaka - Te Pae ki Tawhiti 2040 Strategic Intent. – ADD – All committee members to have full speaking and voting rights. – Point 1 - Build and sustain genuine, high-trust relationships based on He Whakaputanga and Te Tiriti o Waitangi. – Point 4 – Develop and approve frameworks for partnership, engagement, monitoring and reporting. – Point 7 – Provide direction to the governing body on relationship strategies and opportunities. – Point 10 – direct to Council, as appropriate, in conducting and maintaining effective, good faith working relationships with te Iwi Māori (e.g Iwi Hapū Environmental Management Plans). <p><u>Against:</u> Cr Davina Smolders</p> <p><u>Abstained:</u> Crs Rachel Baucke and Ann Court</p>	CARRIED
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7.3 ESTABLISHMENT OF PORTFOLIOS AND ADOPTION OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5486045, pages 106 - 128 refers.

RESOLUTION 2025/138

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Chicky Rudkin

That Council adopt the attached terms of references and establish:

- a) Community Trust, Participation and Engagement Portfolio**
- b) Youth Education and Leadership Pathways Portfolio**
- c) Housing Delivery & Partnerships Portfolio**
- d) Affordability & Value for Communities Portfolio and**
- e) Transport Portfolio with Terms of Reference to be provided in March 2026.**

Against: Cr Davina Smolders

CARRIED

7.5 ADOPTION OF FORMAL MEETING CALENDAR FOR 2026

Agenda item 7.5 document number A5485579, pages 132 - 136 refers.

RESOLUTION 2025/139

Moved: Cr Felicity Foy

Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

That Council adopt the 2026 formal meeting schedule with the following additions for Monthly Operational Briefings (MOBs):

- **19 March**
- **16 April**
- **21 May**
- **11 June (*ability to switch to 18 June which is an existing reserve date*)**
- **9 July**
- **13 August**
- **10 September**
- **8 October**
- **24 November**
- **10 December**

And

- **that a workshop or formal meeting be held in Te Hiku in the 2026 Calendar year.**
- **add the 9th & 10th February Waimate signing, 12th February Māngungu signing and 28th April Te Hiku signing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi to the Council calendar.**
- **remove National Council dates from the calendar**
- **add a Council meeting on 1st April 2026**

CARRIED

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MEETING DURATION**RESOLUTION 2025/140**

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That Council agrees that the meeting continue beyond the six hour duration in Standing Order 4.2 - Meeting Duration, to discuss the remaining items left on the agenda.

CARRIED

Cr Smolders has declared a perceived conflict of interest for Item 7.6 and left the table.

7.6 ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND DECISION ON THE HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY RENT SETTING OPTIONS

Agenda item 7.6 document number A5461364, pages 137 - 151 refers.

RESOLUTION 2025/141

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr Kelly Stratford

That Council:

- a) adopt the following changes to the Housing for the Elderly Policies and Information 2010:**
- i) that the rent settings be changed from being based on annual Consumer Price Index fluctuations to market rates across all units, and apply a cap so that a maximum weekly rent payable by a tenant will be the lesser of the amount calculated as;**
 - 1) 60% market rate, or**
 - 2) 30% NZ Superannuation (net, after tax at the 'M' rate) plus the maximum amount of accommodation supplement applicable to the unit area as defined by Work and Income.**
 - ii) couples to pay an additional \$20 per week across all units on top of the maximum payable rent.**
 - iii) annual rent reviews to occur yearly on 1 July as follows:**
 - o market valuation rent reviews to occur every 2 years, with the next being for the year 2027/2028.**
 - o apply CPI adjustment to rents in alternate years.**
 - iv) implementation of 2 yearly reviews of the rent settings to ensure these continue to be fit for purpose and report the findings to Council.**
- b) approve that the changes to the Housing for the Elderly Policies and Information 2010 be implemented using the market rent figures in the valuations obtained December 2023:**
- i) from 12 December 2025 for new tenants.**

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- ii) **from 1 April 2026 for existing tenants, subject to any requirements under the Residential Tenancies Act 1986**
 - c) **approve the changes in the Housing for the Elderly Policies and Information 2010 as set out in Attachment D and authorise the Group Manager Delivery & Operations to make any necessary minor drafting or presentation amendments to correct errors or omissions, or to reflect the decisions made by Council.**
- Abstained: Crs Arohanui Allen, Rachel Baucke, Tāmati Rākena and John Vujcich.
- CARRIED**

Cr Rakena left the room at 4:03 pm and returned at 4:05 pm

7.7 APPOINTMENT OF NON-ELECTED MEMBERS (APPOINTED MEMBERS) TO COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL POLICY REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF AMENDED POLICY

Agenda item 7.7 document number A5464469, pages 211 - 223 refers.

- RESOLUTION 2025/142**
- Moved: Cr Kelly Stratford
 Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
- That Council:**
- a) **agree the Appointment of Non-Elected (Appointed Members) to Committees of Council Policy has been reviewed.**
 - b) **adopt the amended Non-Elected (Appointed Members) to Committees of Council Policy as in Attachment 1.**
- Against: Cr Davina Smolders
- CARRIED**

8 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

8.1 FAST-TRACK APPROVALS AMENDMENT BILL SUBMISSION

Agenda item 8.2 document number A5476836, pages 241 - 247 refers.

- RESOLUTION 2025/143**
- Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania
 Seconded: Cr Tāmati Rākena
- That Council receive the report Fast-track Approvals Amendment Bill Submission.**
- Cr Foy left the meeting at 4:26 pm and returned 4:29 pm*
- Against: Crs Ann Court and Davina Smolders
Abstained: Crs Rachel Baucke and John Vujcich
- CARRIED**

9 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 4:30 pm.

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The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 5 March 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON

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**MINUTES OF FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVE, KAIKOHE
ON TUESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 10:00 AM**

- PRESENT:** Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania, Kohepu - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin, Cr Arohanui Allen (online), Cr Felicity Foy (online), Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Cr Tāmami Rākena, Cr Davina Smolders, Cr Kelly Stratford, Cr John Vujcich
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Chair Belinda Ward (Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board) (online) , Kawiti Waetford (Kaiwhakawhiti Reo Language Interpreter), Kyla Carlier (Northland Regional Council)
- STAFF PRESENT:** Guy Holroyd (Chief Executive Officer), Roger Ackers (GM – Policy & Planning) Jacine Warmington (GM – Strategic Relationships), Ruben Garcia (GM – Community and Engagement), Hillary Sumpter (GM – Delivery and Operations), Charlie Billington (GM – Corporate Services), Tanya Proctor (GM – Infrastructure) Emma Healy (Chief of Staff), Rebecca Rowsell (Senior Solicitor), Briar Macken (Manager – Strategy & Policy), Lucian Plaumann (Senior Policy Advisor), Tammy Wooster (Manager – Integrated Planning), Llani Harding (Pouhautu – Te Hono), Ken Macdonald (Chief Financial Officer) Ken Lewis (Manager – Communications & Engagement), Aisha Huriwai (Manager – Democracy Services), Amber Wihongi-Alderton (Democracy Advisor)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania commenced the meeting with a karakia at 10.03 am

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

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2026/1

Moved: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

Seconded: Cr John Vujcich

That the apology received from Cr Court and Cr Bauke be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

It was noted that Cr Court and Cr Bauke were attending regional transport meetings for Council in Whangarei, and apologies were noted for Community Board Chairs Bill Subritzky and Jessie McVeagh.

3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATION

There were no deputations at this meeting.

4 NGĀ KŌRERO A TE KAHIKA / MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Acknowledgements included:

- Maramataka: high-energy phase, tangaroa-roto.

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- Waitangi week celebrations: marking the 186th year since the signing of te tiriti and council’s role in hosting national events.
- Upcoming events: māngungu day on 12 february.
- Staff updates: changes within the democracy services team.
- Work undertaken on council’s submission for simplifying local government, due 20 february. It was noted that the submission has been workshopped and will be presented to the te kūkupa committee for strategy, policy and regulation.

5 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

5.1 DRAFT TRIENNIAL AGREEMENT 2025 - 2028

Agenda item 5.1 document number A5547315, pages 6 - 23 refers

MOTION

Moved: Cr Kelly Stratford
 Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

That Council:

- a) Approves the Triennial Agreement 2025–2028 between Far North District Council, Kaipara District Council, Whangārei District Council, and Northland Regional Council, as required under section 15 of the Local Government Act 2002; and
- b) Authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive to sign the Triennial Agreement on behalf of Far North District Council.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Davina Smolders
 Seconded: John Vujcich

That Council:

1. Insert under Communication and Collaboration:
 “Nothing in this Agreement requires Councils to adopt or promote a consensus position where doing so would limit open debate, independent decision-making, or the ability of elected members to represent local community interests.”
2. Insert under Framework for Regional Leadership:
 “All advisory, partnership, and representative forums referenced in this Agreement operate in an advisory capacity only and do not exercise decision-making authority. All material recommendations must be considered and approved by Councils through formal public resolutions.”
3. Insert under Communication and Collaboration:
 “Agendas, minutes, and key outcomes of regional forums will be publicly released in a timely manner, except where lawful grounds for withholding apply.”

LOST 1/8

The original motion became the substantive motion

RESOLUTION 2026/2

Moved: Cr Kelly Stratford
 Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

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That Council:

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- b) Authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive to sign the Triennial Agreement on behalf of Far North District Council.**

In Favour: Crs Moko Tepania, Chicky Rudkin, Arohanui Allen, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Tāmati Rākena, Kelly Stratford and John Vujcich

Against: Cr Davina Smolders

CARRIED

5.2 SUBMISSION ON PLANNING AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT BILLS

Agenda item 5.2 document number A5556538, pages 24 - 41 refers

MOTION

Moved: Cr Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Kohepu - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin

That Council:

- a) approve the submission on the Planning Bill and Natural Environment Bill in Attachment 01.
- b) Authorise the Chief Executive to make necessary minor amendments to the attached submission to correct errors or omissions prior to submission.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Davina Smolders

Seconded: Cr Kelly Stratford

That Council:

1. Insert into the Introduction:
“Far North District Council supports the Government’s objective of replacing the Resource Management Act with a clearer, more consistent, and more efficient planning and environmental framework that enables housing and infrastructure delivery.”
2. Insert under National Direction:
“The Council supports stronger national direction and consistent standards to reduce regulatory fragmentation and improve predictability for applicants.”
3. Insert under Regulatory Impact:
“Planning and environmental controls should remain proportionate, necessary, and cost-effective, and avoid imposing unnecessary barriers to development.”
4. Insert under Implementation:
“The Council is committed to disciplined and timely implementation of the reforms in partnership with central government.”
5. Insert under Outcomes:
“The Council emphasises the importance of enabling increased housing supply and infrastructure investment to support affordability and growth.”

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Against: Crs Moko Tepania, Chicky Rudkin, Arohanui Allen, Felicity Foy, Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Tāmāti Rākena, **Cr Kelly Stratford** and John Vujcich

LOST

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Davina Smolders

That Council:

- 6. Insert under Governance:
 “All major planning and environmental decisions should remain subject to transparent democratic oversight by elected members.”

LOST – LACK OF SECONDER

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Davina Smolders

That Council:

- 7. Replace expanded engagement sections with:
 “Engagement processes should be meaningful, proportionate, and workable within statutory timeframes.”

LOST – LACK OF SECONDER

The original motion became the substantive motion

RESOLUTION 2026/3

Moved: Cr Kelly Stratford

Seconded: Kohepu - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin

- a) **That Council approve the submission on the Planning Bill and Natural Environment Bill in Attachment 01.**
- b) **Authorises the Chief Executive to make necessary minor amendments to the attached submission to correct errors or omissions prior to submission.**

Against: Cr Smolders

CARRIED

6 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATAITI / PUBLIC EXCLUDED

RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

RESOLUTION 2026/4

Moved: Cr John Vujcich

Seconded: Kahika - Mayor Moko Tepania

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the

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passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
<p>6.1 - Te Pipīwharauoa Committee Recommendations for External Appointments</p>	<p>s7(2)(a) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons</p> <p>s7(2)(b)(ii) - the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7</p>

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF INFORMATION AND DECISIONS TO BE RELEASED IN PUBLIC

That Council confirms the information and decisions contained in the part of the meeting held with public excluded remain in public excluded pending finalisation of the appointment process.

7 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

Delivered by Kahika – Mayor Moko Tepania.

8 MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 11.30am.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 5 March 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

7.1 COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

File Number: A5525608

Author: Natasha Rmandic, Democracy Advisor

Authoriser: Jacine Warmington, Group Manager - Strategic Relationships

TAKE PŪRONGO / PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To seek Council approval for updates to the memberships and appointments across several Committees and external bodies, reflecting recent discussions, requests for inclusion, and the need to ensure accuracy and completeness of the adopted Terms of Reference (ToR).

WHAKARĀPOOTO MATUA / EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- At the inaugural Council meeting on 29 October 2025, Kahika-Mayor Tepania confirmed the establishment of seven committees, and Council subsequently appointed representatives to a number of external organisations.
- On 11 December 2025, Council adopted the ToR for all seven committees.
 - Since adoption, several updates to memberships and appointments have been requested or identified, including:
 - adding Councillor Davina Smolders to the Te Kuaka Committee for Strategic Māori Relationships.
 - confirming the membership of Kohepu Chicky Rudkin and Councillor Arohanui Allen to Te Kūkupa, noting their earlier requests were omitted.
 - adjusting Te Huia Committee appointments so that Kohepu Chicky Rudkin and Kahika-Mayor Tepania hold Chair and Deputy Chair positions respectively, with the external representative confirmed as a member.
 - updating the roles for Te Koukou and Te Huia external appointments to reflect membership rather than Chair/Deputy positions.
 - appointing councillor representatives to the Lake Ōmāpere Trust and Mangawhai ki Putataua – Māori Reserve, Matauri Bay.
- This report provides Council with the opportunity to confirm these updates and ensure all memberships and appointments are accurately reflected in the relevant ToR.

TŪTOHUNGA / RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the following updates to the relevant Committee Terms of Reference and external appointments:

- a) **That Councillor Davina Smolders be appointed to Te Kuaka Committee for Strategic Māori Relationships.**
- b) **That Councillors _____ and _____ be appointed to Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation, and**
- c) **That the Terms of Reference for Te Huia Executive Review Committee be updated to reflect Kohepu Chicky Rudkin as Chairperson, Kahika Moko Tepania as deputy Chairperson and the external representative as a committee member.**
- d) **That Councillor _____ be appointed as Council's representative on the Lake Ōmāpere Trust.**

- e) That Councillor _____ be appointed as Council's representative on the Mangawhai ki Putataua Māori Reserve, Matauri Bay.

1) TĀHUHU KŌRERO / BACKGROUND

Under section 41A(3) of the Local Government Act 2002, Kahika-Mayor Tepania has the power to establish committees and appoint memberships. At the 29 October 2025 Inaugural Council meeting the Kahika-Mayor Tepania established the Committees and on 11 December Terms of References for all Committees were adopted.

The Far North District Council recognises that Committees are a key part of enabling good governance. Terms of Reference should be adopted for each Committee to clarify its role, responsibilities and membership.

While the Local Government Act gives the Kahika-Mayor Tepania powers to establish a committee structure and its membership, Council is responsible for confirming the Terms of Reference for those Committees.

While there has been discussion on potential membership for Committees, each Terms of Reference seeks Council's confirmation of membership.

Those appointed to bodies outside of Council act as a spokesperson on matters of local, district, regional or national significance. Some appointments are legislatively required, some are part of a regional agreement, MOU or by invitation.

Section 32, Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 prevents Council from delegating the following responsibilities:

- (a) the power to make a rate; or
- (b) the power to make a bylaw; or
- (c) the power to borrow money, or purchase or dispose of assets, other than in accordance with the long-term plan; or
- (d) the power to adopt a long-term plan, annual plan, or annual report; or
- (e) the power to appoint a chief executive; or
- (f) the power to adopt policies required to be adopted and consulted on under this Act in association with the long-term plan or developed for the purpose of the local governance statement; or
- (g) repealed
- (h) the power to adopt a remuneration and employment policy.

It's important to note that the adoption of the long-term or annual plan is where Council sets its strategic direction,

2) MATAPAKI ME NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA / DISCUSSION AND OPTIONS

Since adoption, several updates to committee memberships and external appointments have been requested or identified. To ensure accuracy of the ToR and to reflect councillor and external member requests, amendments are now required for:

- Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships.
- Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation.
- Te Koukou Committee for Transport and Infrastructure.
- Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance Review.
- External appointments to Lake Ōmāpere Trust and Mangawhai ki Putataua – Māori Reserve, Matauri Bay.

The following options are available to Council:

Option 1: Approve the recommended appointments and ToR amendments (recommended)

Council may confirm all proposed changes and update the relevant Terms of Reference accordingly.

Benefits:

- Ensures membership accurately reflects councillor requests and previous discussions
- Provides clarity and transparency for committee operations
- Supports effective governance by confirming the appropriate members for each committee and external body

Risks:

- None identified beyond normal governance considerations.

Option 2: Defer the request to the Chair

Council may choose to defer decisions to the Committee Chair/Deputy Chair, noting that any amendment to the Committee's ToR will still require Council consideration and approval.

Benefits:

- Allows the Chairs/Deputy Chairs to review membership needs in more detail.

Risks:

- Any amendments to ToR must still return to Council, delaying final confirmation
- Potential for ongoing uncertainty about committee membership.

Option 3: Decline some or all of the proposed appointments

Council may choose not to update the ToR or not to confirm some or all appointments.

Benefits:

- No immediate changes required.

Risks:

- Does not address the identified omissions or requests from councillors and external members
- Committee ToR may remain inaccurate or incomplete
- May reduce clarity for governance roles and responsibilities.

TAKE TŪTOHUNGA / REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

The recommended option ensures committee memberships and external appointments are accurate, reflect councillor and external member requests, and support effective governance of Council committees.

3) PĀNGA PŪTEA ME NGĀ WĀHANGA TAHUA / FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGETARY PROVISION

An effective and efficient governance structure helps reduce operational resourcing. Providing delegations to the lowest possible level helps to increase efficiencies and allow Councils governing body to focus on making strategic decisions for the district.

If external appointments are made to committees, Council adopted a policy in 2022 that any external appointments would be remunerated at a rate of \$240 per meeting (the position of Chair is set at \$300 per meeting) plus travel expenses. It should be noted that any Appointed Member whose participation on a Committee, Subcommittee, Working Party or External Body who is already remunerated by a government agency, another local authority or private/public interest group is not eligible to receive remuneration under our policy.

ĀPITI HANGA / ATTACHMENTS

1. **Te Kuaka Committee for Strategic Māori Relationships - A5443633** [↓](#) 
2. **Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation - A5443635** [↓](#) 
3. **Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance - A5443632** [↓](#) 


Hōtaka Take Ōkawa / Compliance Schedule:

Full consideration has been given to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 S77 in relation to decision making, in particular:

1. A Local authority must, in the course of the decision-making process,
 - a) Seek to identify all reasonably practicable options for the achievement of the objective of a decision; and
 - b) Assess the options in terms of their advantages and disadvantages; and
 - c) If any of the options identified under paragraph (a) involves a significant decision in relation to land or a body of water, take into account the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral land, water sites, waahi tapu, valued flora and fauna and other taonga.
2. This section is subject to Section 79 - Compliance with procedures in relation to decisions.

He Take Ōkawa / Compliance Requirement	Aromatawai Kaimahi / Staff Assessment
State the level of significance (high or low) of the issue or proposal as determined by the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy	This is a matter of low significance.
State the relevant Council policies (external or internal), legislation, and/or community outcomes (as stated in the LTP) that relate to this decision.	The relevant Local Government Act 2002 references are provided throughout this report. Council has a policy on non-elected members appointed to Committees which will be applied where appropriate. It should also be noted that decisions of Committees will take into consideration existing strategies, and direction articulated through the Long-Term Plan process.
State whether this issue or proposal has a District wide relevance and, if not, the ways in which the appropriate Community Board's views have been sought.	This is a district wide matter for the governing body to decide. As mentioned in the report, Council should consider in the new year – appropriate delegations to the Community Boards.
State the possible implications for Māori and how Māori have been provided with an opportunity to contribute to decision making if this decision is significant and relates to land and/or any body of water. State the possible implications and how this report aligns with Te Tiriti o Waitangi / The Treaty of Waitangi.	The views of Māori have not been sought specifically to inform this work. Work was completed in the 2022-2025 term to seek the views of Māori around the then Te Kuaka – Te Ao Māori Committee. Views shared at Te Kuaka hui and as part of developing agreements with various Iwi and Hapū have been incorporated into the proposed Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationship
Identify persons likely to be affected by or have an interest in the matter, and how you have given consideration to their views or preferences (for example – youth, the aged and those with disabilities).	This does not impact any identified persons in legislation.
State the financial implications and where budgetary provisions have been made to support this decision.	Staff annually budget to hold provision for external appointments to Committees. Further budget is also allocated based on prior year expenditure and legislative increases for elected member expense and reimbursements in attending meetings

Chief Financial Officer review.	The CFO has not reviewed this report.
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 <p>Te Kaunihera o Te Hiku o te Ika Far North District Council</p>	Authorising Body	Council
	Status	Standing Committee
COUNCIL COMMITTEE	Title	Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships Terms of Reference
	Terms of Reference Adoption	11 December 2025
	Responsible Officer	General Manager Te Hono (vacant)

Kaupapa / Purpose

To provide strategic leadership and guidance that strengthens Te Ao Māori perspectives within Council decision-making, ensuring genuine Te Tiriti-based partnership and leadership between FNDC and Iwi/Hapū.

Ngā Huānga / Membership

The Committee will comprise of no less than 4 elected members and external representation. Kahika / Mayor Moko Tepania is an ex-officio member of all Committees.

Cr Tāmami Rākena (Chairperson)

External Appointment (Deputy Chairperson)

Kohepu / Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin

Cr Arohanui Allen

Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

Cr Kelly Stratford

Te Kahu o Taonui Representation

Hapū with a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Council

Kōrama / Quorum

The quorum at a meeting of the Committee is 4 members.

Ngā Hui / Frequency of Meetings

The Committee shall meet 8 weekly.

Ngā Apatono / Power to Delegate

The responsibilities, duties and powers of the Committee are subject to the prohibition on delegation of powers under Clause 32(1), Schedule 7, Local Government Act 2002, and any other restrictions on delegation under any other relevant legislation.

Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships may not delegate any of its responsibilities, duties or powers however it may establish working groups to consider issues within the committee's areas of responsibilities noting that working groups have no decision-making powers.

Ngā Herenga Paetae / Responsibilities

The Committees responsibilities are described below:

- Build and sustain genuine, high-trust relationships based on Te Tiriti o Waitangi principles.
- Support strategic partnerships that empower communities, hapū, and iwi to shape their own development.
- Facilitate collaboration across sectors to invest in quality infrastructure and initiatives.
- Develop frameworks for partnership engagement.
- Identify and prioritise strategic relationships with iwi, hapū, government agencies, and key stakeholders.
- Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of partnerships.
- Provide advice to the governing body on relationship strategies and opportunities.
- Ensure that the work of Te Kuaka is carried out in a way that enhances the social, economic, cultural, and environmental wellbeing of the Far North District
- Recommend to Council, aspects of importance to Māori for incorporation into the development of the Strategic documents (e.g. Te Ao Māori Framework, Annual Plan, Long Term Plan, District Plan)
- Manaaki To assist Council as appropriate in conducting and maintaining effective, good faith working relationships with the Māori community (e.g. Iwi Hapu Environmental Management Plans)
- Recommend to Council aspects that the Far North District Council could pursue to develop and or enhance Māori capacity to contribute to Council's decision-making processes.


Ngā Ture / Rules and Procedures

Council's Standing Orders and Elected Member Code of Conduct apply to all meetings.

Reporting and Review of Committee Terms of Reference

In December of each year, the Responsible Officer alongside Democracy Services will submit a report to Council. The report will summarise the activities of the Committee and how it has contributed to the Council's governance and strategic objectives. This will look at whether the Council are meeting the full requirements of the Committee Terms of Reference and whether any amendments are required to the Committees terms of reference to increase efficient and effective decision making.

The Terms of Reference of the Committee will be reviewed as part of this report but can be amended by Council at any point throughout the term.

	Authorising Body	Mayor/Council
	Status	Standing Committee
COUNCIL COMMITTEE	Title	Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation
	Terms of Reference Adoption	11 December 2025
	Responsible Officer	General Manager Planning and Policy

Kaupapa / Purpose

Te Kūkupa – Strategy, Policy and Regulation Committee is established to provide governance oversight, leadership, and direction on the development, review, and monitoring of the Far North District Council’s strategies, policies, bylaws, and regulatory frameworks. The Committee ensures that Council’s strategic objectives are advanced through robust policy development and effective regulatory practice.

Ngā Huānga / Membership

The Council will determine the membership of the Committee.

Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation will comprise of at least six elected members (one of which will be the chairperson).

Kahika / Mayor Moko Tepania is an ex-officio member of all Committees.

Membership is as follows:

Kelly Stratford -Chairperson
 Ann Court Deputy Chairperson
 Cr Rachel Baucke
 Ann Court
 Felicity Foy
 Davina Smolders

Kōrama / Quorum

The quorum at a meeting of Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation is 4 members.

Ngā Hui / Frequency of Meetings

The Committee shall meet 4 weekly.

Ngā Apatono / Power to Delegate

The responsibilities, duties and powers of the Committee are subject to the prohibition on delegation of powers under Clause 32(1), Schedule 7, Local Government Act 2002, and any other restrictions on delegation under any other relevant legislation.

Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy Policy and Regulation may not delegate any of its responsibilities, duties or powers however it may establish working groups to consider issues within the committee's areas of responsibilities noting that working groups have no decision-making powers.

Ngā Herenga Paetae / Responsibilities

The Committee's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Leading the development, review, and recommendation of Council strategies, policies, and bylaws.
- Overseeing the preparation and review of the Long Term Plan, Annual Plan, and associated consultation processes.
- Monitoring the implementation and effectiveness of adopted strategies and policies.
- Provide Governance level insight on Council's approach to regulatory matters - having regard to the separation of regulatory and non-regulatory decision-making functions as between the Chief Executive and Governance (section 42(3)(a) LGA02).
- Have input into submissions on central government policy, legislation, and regulatory proposals relevant to Council's functions.
- Considering and recommending to Council on matters relating to:
 - District Plan and Resource Management Act functions,
 - Environmental policy and planning,
 - Economic development strategies,
 - Social and community wellbeing policies,
 - Climate change adaptation and mitigation policy,
 - Regulatory fees and charges,
 - Other strategic or regulatory matters as delegated by Council.

The Committee has delegated authority to:

- Approve for consultation draft strategies, policies, and bylaws.
- Hear and consider submissions, including oral submissions on strategies, policies, and bylaws, and recommend adoption to Council.
- Have Governance level oversight of regulatory and policy matters as specifically delegated by Council - subject to Clause 32(1), Schedule 7, Local Government Act 2002 and section 43(3)(a) of the LGA02.
- Request reports and briefings from staff on matters within its scope.

The Committee does NOT have the authority to:

- Adopt final strategies, policies, or bylaws (unless specifically delegated by Council).
- Make decisions that are the responsibility of the full Council or another committee.


Ngā Ture / Rules and Procedures

Council's Standing Orders and Elected Member Code of Conduct apply to all meetings.

Reporting and Review of Committee Terms of Reference

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The terms of reference of the Committee will be reviewed as part of this report but can be amended by Council at any point throughout the term.

 <p>Te Kaunihera o Te Hiku o te Ika For North District Council</p>	Authorising Body	Local Government Act 2002
	Status	Standing Committee
COUNCIL COMMITTEE	Title	Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance
	Terms of Reference Adoption	11 December 2025

Role of the Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance

Council sets its vision and values to underpin its strategic direction. This guides the organisation as it works to make the Far North District an attractive place to live, work, and play. Council is forward looking, acting strategically to prepare for the district’s future.

Council employs the chief executive, who in turn employs and manages Council staff. Council therefore has a responsibility to set and monitor the performance of the chief executive.

Only Council (the local authority) may appoint the chief executive under Part 4 (clause 42) of the Local Government Act (LGA). Council cannot delegate this responsibility to a sub-ordinate decision-making body (LGA Sch7, cl 32, sec 1e).

Membership

Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance will comprise of the Mayor and all Councillors. Chaired by an external appointment. Kahika / Mayor Moko Tepania is an ex-officio member of all Committees.

- External Appointment – (Chairperson)
- Kohepu - Deputy Mayor Chicky Rudkin (Deputy Chairperson)
- Cr Felicity Foy
- Cr Tāmami Rākena
- Cr Davina Smolders
- Cr Kelly Stratford
- Cr John Vujcich

Quorum - Committee

The quorum at a meeting of the Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance is 4 members.

Frequency of Meetings

Te Huia - Executive Review Committee shall meet 12-weekly but may convene more frequently as required.

Committees Responsibilities

The Committees responsibilities are described below:

Oversight and Evaluation

- The Committee is responsible for actively managing, overseeing, and evaluating the performance of the Chief Executive only, ensuring alignment with Council's vision, values, and priorities.
- Oversight of all other staff, including the strategic leadership team, remains the responsibility of the Chief Executive alone.

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

- Set, review, and monitor KPIs for the Chief Executive.
- Focus KPIs on outcomes that advance the Council's vision and priorities for the Far North District.

Performance Reviews

- Conduct regular and comprehensive performance reviews of the Chief Executive.
- Include annual assessments and any additional reviews required by Council or the employment agreement.
- Conduct a performance review at the end of the first term of appointment, as required under Schedule 7, clause 35 of the Local Government Act.

Employment Matters

- Address any issues regarding the employment of the Chief Executive.
- Recommend remuneration adjustments, professional development, and support as needed to achieve Council's objectives.
- Supervise any recruitment and selection process for a Chief Executive as required under Part 4, clause 42 of the Local Government Act, for Council consideration and adoption.

Reporting

- Report findings and recommendations regarding the Chief Executive's performance to Council at least twice per year, or as otherwise required.
- Ensure transparency and accountability in reporting.

Delegated Authority

- The Committee is delegated the authority to manage all aspects of the Chief Executive's performance, including conducting regular reviews, recommending remuneration adjustments, and addressing employment-related matters.
- Appointment and termination of the Chief Executive remain the sole responsibility of Council.
- The responsibilities, duties and powers of the Committee are subject to the prohibition on delegation of powers under Clause 32(1), Schedule 7, Local Government Act 2002, and any other restrictions on delegation under any other relevant legislation.

This does not preclude a Committee from establishing a sub-committee or working group with the ability to make a decision to the Committee.

Independent Advice & Conflict of Interest

- The Committee may procure independent specialist advice up to \$25,000 per annum, in accordance with Council's procurement policy and processes.

- Consider any conflicts of interest the Chief Executive may have and determine the most appropriate form of management.

Ngā Ture / Rules and Procedures

Council's Standing Orders and Elected Member Code of Conduct apply to all meetings.

Reporting and Review of Committee Terms of Reference

In December of each year, the Responsible Officer alongside Democracy Services will submit a report to Council. The report will summarise the activities of the Committee and how it has contributed to the Council's governance and strategic objectives. This will look at whether the Council are meeting the full requirements of the Committee Terms of Reference and whether any amendments are required to the Committees terms of reference to increase efficient and effective decision making.

The Terms of Reference of the Committee will be reviewed as part of this report but can be amended by Council at any point throughout the term.

8 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

8.1 PETITION - PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY AND TAMARIKI: ADDRESS ROAMING AND DANGEROUS DOGS IN AHIPARA

File Number: A5605949

Author: Natasha Rmandic, Democracy Advisor

Authoriser: Aisha Huriwai, Manager - Democracy Services

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

For the Council to receive Protect Our Community and Tamariki: Address Roaming and Dangerous Dogs in Ahipara Petition.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- This petition was presented by Tyrone Biddle on behalf of residents of Ahipara.
- It was received on February 13, 2026, via RFS-4287727.
- There are 428 signatories.
- All signatories are asking for stronger, more consistent action to address roaming and uncontrolled dogs in Ahipara.

RECOMMENDATION

That Far North District Council formally receive the petition “Protect Our Community and Tamariki: Address Roaming and Dangerous Dogs in Ahipara Petition” on behalf of the residents of Ahipara.

1) BACKGROUND

This petition was received from Ahipara residents on 13 Feb 2026.

Roaming and dangerous dogs have been an ongoing issue in Ahipara for years, with repeated calls and reports made to the Council with no real or lasting change. When dogs are not properly controlled or contained, the risk extends beyond one group, it affects tamariki, residents, visitors, and animals.

Roaming dogs also have a serious impact on native wildlife, including kiwi and other ground-nesting birds, with conservation groups identifying roaming dogs as a significant cause of injury and death to these species. Petitioners are asking for Ahipara to be a place where families can walk, play, and live without fear.

Petitions may be presented to the FNDC or any of its committees or community boards.

Petitions must contain at least 20 signatures, and the request must consist of fewer than 150 words (not including signatures). The petition must be received by the Chief Executive at least five working days before the date of the meeting at which it will be presented.

Petitions must not use offensive language or include malicious statements. They may be written in English or te reo Māori.

To be accepted, a petition must be clearly addressed to the Far North District Council.

A petition may be delivered by electronic means.

The name of the principal petitioner must appear at the head of the petition, and that contact information is provided when the petition is presented. The principal petitioner is usually the person who has initiated or organised the petition and presents the petition to Council.

Reason for the recommendation

To allow the Council to formally receive the petition and provide a mechanism for the Council to advocate on behalf of its constituents where appropriate.

This petition is not addressed to Council; however, the Council may receive the petition.

3) FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGETARY PROVISION

There are no financial implications or need for budgetary provision in receiving this petition.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Ahipara residents petition - A5605938** [↓](#) 

Protect Our Community and Tamariki: Address Roaming and Dangerous Dogs in Ahipara

To: Far North District Council

Far North District Council needs to take stronger, more consistent action to address roaming and uncontrolled dogs in Ahipara before serious injury or loss of life occurs.

Why is this important?

Roaming and dangerous dogs have been an ongoing issue in Ahipara for years, with repeated calls and reports made to the Council with no real or lasting change.

Dogs are part of our community, but with that comes responsibility. When dogs are not properly controlled or contained, the risk extends beyond one group — it affects tamariki, residents, visitors, and animals. Roaming dogs also have a serious impact on native wildlife, including kiwi and other ground-nesting birds, with conservation groups identifying roaming dogs as a significant cause of injury and death to these species.

Ahipara should be a place where families can walk, play, and live without fear — and where our natural environment is protected.

We are calling on Far North District Council to:

- Actively enforce existing dog control bylaws in Ahipara, with a clear focus on roaming and aggressive dogs
- Increase monitoring and follow-up on repeat reports of roaming dogs, rather than treating incidents as isolated events
- Review and strengthen rules around owning multiple dogs in residential neighbourhoods, particularly where containment cannot be demonstrated
- Ensure faster response times from animal control when roaming or aggressive dogs are reported
- Require clear containment, supervision, and accountability from dog owners to prevent further incidents

These actions are necessary to protect tamariki, residents, visitors, and animals in Ahipara, and to prevent further traumatic and dangerous incidents in our community.

Why is this important?

Our Ahipara community should not have to live in fear of roaming dogs. My kids saw a dog being attacked right in front of them — it was violent, chaotic, and traumatic. No child should have to witness that, and no Council should accept it as normal.

This is not about being anti-dog. It's about keeping our community safe, ensuring people take responsibility for their pets, and preventing harm before it happens.

Protect Our Community and Tamariki: Address Roaming and Dangerous Dogs in Ahipara

Signed by 428 people:

Name	Postcode	I am a resident of Ahipara	Name	Postcode	I am a resident of Ahipara
Tyrone Biddle	0481		Liana Wilma	0481	x
Sarah O'Neil	0505		Kirsty Grant	0481	x
Heeni Snowden	3600	x	Tracey Cameron	0481	x
E Thompson	0410		Sheena (rate payer) Gardiner-Smith	3186	
Kiri Summers	0486		Rita Tepania	0410	x
Lesley Wallace	0410	x	Stevie Wharehinga	0410	
Mereraina Grbic	0481	x	Maryanne Morgan	0614	
Yaz Toyoda	0481	x	Marion McGovern	0449	x
Kahlia Hughes	0410		Keryn Quilter	4227	x
Olivia Panther	0410	x	Ann Morrogh	0481	x
Danielle Wilcox	0481	x	Scottie Te Amo	0481	x
Puawai Munro	0482	x	Lisa Busby	0481	x
Dion Harrison	0481	x	Martine Quilter-Larsen	0481	x
Anaru Williams	0481	x	Wendy Sykes	0441	x
Thor Halkyard	0410	x	Melissa Watson	0449	x
Glen Rogerson	0481	x	Nellie Maclaime	0481	x
Darnel Eparaima	0410	x	Porky Murray	0481	x
Emma Mckinney	0410	x	Sabrina Moore	0626	
Adalie Beckley	0481	x	Blanche Morrogh	0449	x
Charlie Timperley	1021		Debbie Goodsell	0112	x
Gael Jordan	0481		Keriana Te Paa	0481	x
Robby Tee	0410	x	Adrienne Harrison	0410	x
Amelia Marsh	0481	x	Coralie Cutler	0481	x
Andrea Panther	0482	x	Courtney Bennell	0481	x
Kathy Langerak	0481	x			

Protect Our Community and Tamariki: Address Roaming and Dangerous Dogs in Ahipara

Name	Postcode	I am a resident of Ahipara	Name	Postcode	I am a resident of Ahipara
Petrina Hodgson	0410	x	Anita Graham	0481	x
Kerry Rolleston	0481	x	Josh Sowter	0481	x
Hannah Stewart	0481	x	Sheri Lewis	0481	x
Allison Pirrie-Mawer	0481	x	Belinda Murray	0481	x
Waimirirangi Angell	0000		Isaac Waea	0000	
Laurence McGaughey	0112	x	Katie-jane Vela	0410	x
Stuart Semenoff	0481	x	Donna Brydon	0449	x
Dawn Bosman	0481		Lance Panther	0482	
Keita Haven	0481	x	Colleen Hautzinger	0480	x
Darren Nathan	0481	x	Clare Taylor	0604	
Alicia Howard	0293		Lohnet Murray	0481	x
Leah Horn	0481	x	Sharon Waiariki	0481	x
Pare Nathan	0481	x	Kathryn Carey	0481	x
Holly Snowden	0612		Denise Pirini	0481	x
Jen Benavides	0481	x	Janeen Collier	0481	x
Ellen-mary Pomare	0483		Toni McMahon	0481	x
Juanita Walsh	0481	x	Sally-Ann Clark	0482	
Robyn Neho	0410		Milan Carey	0410	x
Catherine Manga	0481	x	Hazel Douglas	0932	x
Elesha Te Paa	0481	x	Michelle Thomas	1051	
Suzanne Koland	0481	x	Johanna Ingenlath	0449	x
Patrick Murray	0481	x	Tai E	0481	x
Te Rehutai Te Paa	0000		Davina Tipene	0481	
Ravenlee Shephard-Quedec	0481	x	Naomi Ngawhika	0441	
Ashaad Sullivan	0410	x	Shirley Neho	0410	
			Ashley Blair	0484	
			Josephine Ball	0481	x
			Heather Gray	0481	x

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Name	Postcode	I am a resident of Ahipara	Name	Postcode	I am a resident of Ahipara
Michaela Bell	0410		Sacha Harrison	0481	
Samantha Smaill	0472		Ra Simeon	0410	
Phillip Dickins	0449	x	Danni Craghill	0481	x
Harley Kirk	0481	x	Laree Furniss	0481	x
Kayleigh Lourenco	0481	x	J'Aime Godinet	0420	
Dane Subritzky-Clark	0410	x	Olivia Burt	0481	x
Rosaleen O'Connor	0481		Michael Clarkson	3475	x
Sonny Heemi	0486		Shelley Mekkelholt	0481	x
Chelsea McMahon	0481	x	Tara Roberts	0932	
Amanda Bell	0484		Ashlyn Burt	0481	x
Edna Murray	0449		Mark Hubbard	0481	x
Whitney Peat	0481	x	Noeleen Robson	0481	
Annalee Wakeman	0410	x	Danaan Beatson	0441	x
Danielle Beatson	0481	x	Darryl Smith	0449	x
Sarah Whittaker	0475		Maraea Proctor	0496	
Rowen Burt	0481	x	Janine Perene	0481	x
Maakinihi Lewer	0481	x	Ella Gunson	0481	x
Lisa Noble	0481	x	Toni Burren	0410	
Chad Goodhue	4310		Ranique Wakeman	0481	x
Maree Burcher	0618		Brie Quilter	4227	x
Paul Iennon	0484		Libby Perry	0481	x
Toni Panapa	4510		Llona McIvor	0481	x
Raewyn Flay	0410		Milli Craghill	0481	x
Bryony Naicker	0410		Joziah Malcolm	0481	x
Clinton Waaka	0449	x	Kirst Culpan	0481	x
Yvonne McPherson	0481	x	Jo Hohaia	0000	
Tia Ashby	0481	x	Todd Maclaine	0061	x
Jane Godfrey	0418	x	Arli Brydon	0481	x
Amorangi Paitai	1061		Cy East Tafunai	0483	x
Jolene West	0481	x	Ariana Smith	0481	x
			Liz Smith	0481	x

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Mareea Paitai	0481	x	Te Maru Anderson	0481	x
Yvonne Haysom	0874		Diana Cocker	0481	x
Priscilla Hutchinson	0481	x	Nathan Rangiatea Rangiatea	0482	x
Kylie Turnbull	0481	x	Kalani Walters-Hewson	0410	
Jade One-Baxter	0420		Olive Smart	0449	x
Rachel Arcus	0481	x	Chris Moretti	0481	x
Kelly Colquhoun	0295		Floss Hardwick	0410	
Wani Pene	0112		Liana Hape	0481	
Ange Wakarua	0481	x	Pet Vela	0481	x
Jana Reed	0481	x	Dorren Bailey	2570	x
Brady Robson	0481	x	John Paitai	0481	x
Emma Howard-Smith	0481	x	Medadane Kipa	0410	x
Ruth Port	0481	x	Hunter Matthews	0486	
Bev Stewart	0481	x	Laura Rose	0420	
Sylvia Nugent	0486		Megan Smith	0230	
Rima Wakarua	0481	x	Ashleigh Dawson	0481	
J Brown	0481	x	Brendan Meade	0295	
Barbs Fierro	0449	x	Kevin Griffiths	0449	x
Renae Adams	0449	x	Kelly Norman	0481	x
Timothy Hodge	0481	x	William Bowden	0481	x
Arna Ah Chong	4221		Rebecca Cosner	0486	
Kathy Hancock	0449	x	Jaqueline Brown	0449	x
Pipi Jobe	0481	x	Cassandra Pierce	0410	
Lucy Douglas	5711		Lucy Hartstone	0481	x
Lee Mathews	0000		Terri Murray	0481	
Emma Mathews	0481	x	Richie Dodd	0482	x
Jess Dawson	0481		Paige Heremaia	0491	x
Serene Mallows	0420		Rachel Jones	0481	x
Ani Wairepo	0481				

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pauline bishop	0481		Hollie Hauraki	3189	
Pamela Snowden	0602		Tanya Rikiau	3420	
Mereana Matiu	0481	x	Holly Windelborn	0482	
Jeanne Harrison	0481		PollyAnn Biddle	0481	x
Annastasia Wieblitz	0420		Julie Pearce	0410	
Michelle Biddle	0481		Jens Marr	0481	x
Julia Chung	0481	x	Amy Murray	0481	x
WAIATA Harrison	0481	x	Jords Lewer	2019	
Katie Matuschka	0481	x	Kahu Tapatahi	0481	x
Matire Murray	0481		Shelley Woodney	0481	x
David Hakaraia	5022		Ngairie Hartley	3121	
Hoana Matiu	0481	x	Danielle Logan	0410	
Vicky Herbert	0410		Shanan Gough	5032	
Ethel Ihimaera	0481	x	Ellen Koland	0410	x
Shyla-Jade Goodhue-Wikitera	0481	x	Kate Harrison	0481	x
Lisa Hoeta	0110		Paul Urquhart	0481	x
Sandra Driesen	0481		Kane Matuschka	0481	
Somer Davies	0410	x	Julia Cardwell	3295	
Georgina Maheno	1042		Julie Graydon	0410	
Willie Ihimaera	0449	x	Shannon Taylor	0481	x
Thomas Darroch	K6V 524		Cheryl Murray	0481	
Julie Cullen	3112		Reese Puckey	0481	x
Adrian Stockman	0482		Awhina Snowden	5012	
Sonia Key	2025		Maria Smith	3116	
Lisa Murray	0481	x	Wiriha Petera	0449	x
Rawiri Iti	0443		Danya Gore	0482	
Doreen Goodnight	0410		Maryann Adlam	0449	x
			John Murray	0481	x
			Larry KOPESKY	0481	

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Alicia Rakich	0449	x	Creole Wallace	0486	x
Kepa Paaka	31 KORO RA ST	x	Lisa Howe	0481	
Cathy Walters	2112	x	Jeravine Adams	0481	x
Taatinera Kireka	0000		Colleen Montgomery	0481	x
Vicki Marevich	0449	x	Louise Heremia	4122	
Honeylee Walters	2112		Alana Barruel	0481	x
Tania Currie	0481	x	Michelle Puckey	0481	
Kevin Marevich	0505	x	Mary Wikitera	0484	
Pam Sowter	0600	x	Jessie Murray	0481	x
Ira Tainui	0494		Lois Bucher	0449	x
Kylee Harrison	0481		Unita Haroldene Pene	0410	
JulieAnn Paerau	0841		Mere Jobe	0481	x
Mary Snowden	0410	x	Sam La Hood	1026	
Karen Phillips	0481	x	Aimee O'Keeffe	0481	x
Tania Murphy / Bowman	0481		Tynisha Rupapera	0481	
Elaine Tepania	0481	x	Pam Mitcalfe	0410	x
Julia Wilkie Smith	0000		Tanya Munro	0481	
Shawnee Petera	0481	x	Sian Bluett	0494	
Ngawai Clarkson	3297		Lorna Subritzky	0449	x
Storme Walters	0110		Christina Flavell	1010	
Cassandra Ihimaera	0612		Erika Urlich	0494	
Neil Wood	0481	x	Ella Murray	0481	x
Stephanie Bilich	0000		Glenys Brasell	0481	x
Yvonne Wood	0481	x	Sandra Vela	0481	
Olivia Baloghy	0820		Mika Nathan	0449	x
Rebecca Cook	3001		Santija Silich	0410	x
			Kaye Barrett	0481	x
			Susan Murray	0481	x
			Sarah Williams	0410	x
			Mary Dawson	0449	

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Kirsty Brown	3330		Brandyn Lunjevich	0481	x
J K	0481	x	Tania Cherrington	0000	
Matthew Snowden	3015		Te Clark	0110	x
Trudy Allen	0449		Maraea Henry	0481	x
Hayley Jones	3118		Alastair Cameron	0481	x
Yvette Froggatt	0410		Jodi Osborne-meeds	0481	
Aisha Rogers	0420		Gaylene Leefe	0604	
Ellen Graham	0482		Julie Rickit	0481	
Carolyn Saulo	0410	x	Norah Smith	0449	x
Arohanui Kerehoma	0449	x	Matthew Rameka	4300	
Maria Tauroa	0410		Honor-lisa Smith	0481	x
Julienne Scott	0441		Karen Williams	0481	x
Toni Rakich	0410		Tiano Arona	0481	x
Elton Hohaia	0410	x	Rewi Te Paa	4094	x
Natascha Mennell	0482		Judd Stratful	0932	x
Kate Schofield	0230	x	Ameya Grice	0410	
Peggy Phillips	0481		Leonie Exel	0272	
Tania Hauiti Hauiti	0481	x	Parehuia Jane Williams	0481	x
Shontayne Hape	0481		Sarah O'Donnell	0472	
Rosemary Peri Graham	0481	x	Giddy Lewer	0629	x
Georgina Perene	0410	x	Reece Wijohn	0481	x
Holly Andrew	0431		S D	0481	x
Ian Clark	0481	x	Josef Cherrington	0481	x
Elizabeth Motu	0481	x	Mikhail Jansen	0410	
Kylie Rudolph	0410		Irene Schmid	0410	x
Alison Brown	0420		Raewyn Vear	1081	
Philippa Murray	0481	x	Aroha Ihaka	061R	
Debra Vela	0499	x	Debo Adams	0481	x
Helen Phillips	0449	x	Hikaia Amohia	6022	
Tim Partington	0481	x	Reid Dion	0482	
			Emma Enright	0410	

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Nina Subritzky	0449	x	Marcel Syron	1022	
Chrissy Gardner	0410		Vanessa Rupapera	0481	
Denise Caughley	0481	x	Donna Astill	0481	
Roberta Maurangi	0410		Benny Rupapera	0481	x
Minerva Baker	0481		Daniella Matiu	0410	x
Kathleen Taylor	K0G1J0		Katia Peterson	1026	
Mandy Morrogh	0481	x			
Kura Martin	0410				
Suzie Maugham	0481	x			
Rawinia Snowden	1060				
Matt Wright	0410				
Scott Smith	0449	x			
Zac Amohia	3420				
Lucarine Barrett	0481	x			
Patrick Morgan	6021				
Rohario Te Wake	0410	x			
Nerida Goodhue	0418	x			
Milenka Reyes	0410				
Phelan Pirrie	0481	x			
Nanook Kinnear	0482				
Arielle Mermin	4314				
Ebony Paaka	0481	x			
Scarlett Porter	0481	x			
Brenna Maxwell	0481	x			
Mandy Busby	0481	x			
Sheryl Reid	0481	x			
Jacob Reid	6108	x			
Fleur Hall	0481	x			
Brittany Hall	1071	x			

8.2 COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

File Number: A5560830

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TAKE PŪRONGO / PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To provide an overview of resolutions made by Community Boards with an opportunity for Chairpersons to speak with Council about pertinent discussions held at Community Board.

WHAKARĀPOPOTO MATUA / EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Minutes from recent Te Hiku, Bay of Islands-Whangaroa and Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board meetings are attached for Council information.

TŪTOHUNGA / RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the minutes from the following Community Board meetings:

- a) Te Hiku Community Board Meeting held 09 February 2026;
- b) Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Meeting 12 February 2026;
- c) Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Meeting held on 11 February 2026.

1) TĀHUHU KŌRERO / BACKGROUND

This report is to provide Council with an overview of resolutions made at Community Board meetings and for Community Board Chairpersons to raise any Community Board issues with Council.


2) MATAPAKI ME NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA / DISCUSSION AND OPTIONS

From time-to-time Community Boards may make recommendations to Council. This report is not considered to be the appropriate mechanism for Council to make a decision from a Community Board recommendation. Council could however move a motion to formally request a report on a particular matter for formal consideration at a subsequent meeting. The report would then ensure that Council have sufficient information to satisfy the decision-making requirements under the Local Government Act 2002 (sections 77-79).

3) PĀNGA PŪTEA ME NGĀ WĀHANGA TAHUA / FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGETARY PROVISION

There are no financial implications or need for budget provision in considering this report.

ĀPITIHINGA / ATTACHMENTS

1. Te Hiku Community Board - 09-02-2026 Minutes - A5564685 [↓](#) 
2. Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board - 12-02-2026 Minutes - A5577236 [↓](#) 
3. Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board - 11-02-2026 Minutes - A5558103 [↓](#) 

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**MINUTES OF
TE HIKU COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM - TE AHU, CNR STATE HIGHWAY 1 AND MATHEWS
AVENUE, KAITAIA
ON MONDAY, 9 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: Chairperson William (Bill) Subritzky, Deputy Chairperson Trevor Beatson, Member Adele Gardner, Member Mike Te Wake, Member Krystal-Rose Taaffe, Member Eddie Bellas, Member Hilda Halkyard-Harawira, Member Rachel Baucke, Robin Rawson (Parks and Reserves Planner), Dr Lily George (Principal Advisor – Community and Local Government Health and Wellbeing)

STAFF PRESENT: Beverly Mitchell (Community Board Coordinator), Donald Sheppard (Policy Advisor), Kathryn Trewin (Funding Advisor), Natasha Rmandic (Democracy Advisor).

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Meeting opened by karakia from Member Te Wake at 10.02am.

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

2.1 APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2026/1

Moved: Chairperson William (Bill) Subritzky
Seconded: Member Mike Te Wake

That Te Hiku Community Board acknowledge and accept apology from Cr Hilda Halkyard-Harawira.

CARRIED

3 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATANUI / PUBLIC FORUM

John Kenderdine – potential use of Old Warehouse building.

4 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATIONS

None

5 NGĀ KAIKŌRERO / SPEAKERS

Ahipara Aroha Lisa Murray

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

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 6.1 document number A5523303, pages 8 - 9 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/2

Moved: Chairperson William (Bill) Subritzky

Seconded: Member Eddie Bellas

That Te Hiku Community Board confirm the minutes of the meeting held 16 December 2025 to be a true and correct record.

CARRIED

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

7.1 PROPOSAL TO AMEND ALCOHOL CONTROL AREAS IN THE WARD

Agenda item 7.1 document number A5514058, pages 15 - 22 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/3

Moved: Member Adele Gardner

Seconded: Member Eddie Bellas

That Te Hiku Community Board, under section 147b of the Local Government Act 2002, recommends that council by resolution:

- a) Declares a new permanent Alcohol Control Area at Lake Ngātu that will apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round.**
- b) Amends the current permanent alcohol control area in Kaitāia that will continue to apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round.**

Moved: Chairperson William (Bill) Subritzky

Seconded: Deputy Chairperson Trevor Beatson

That Te Hiku Community Board:

- a) Approves item 7.1 A – permanent alcohol control area at Lake Ngātu 24/7 whole year round.**
- b) Let item 7.1 B – Permanent Alcohol Control Area in Kaitaia be delayed to allow more targeted consultation on specific areas.**
- c) Add item 7.1C – advise Council to allow more time for CB members to further investigate other possible areas in the ward.**

CARRIED

7.2 RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF TE HIKU LAND DRAINAGE COMMITTEES

Agenda item 7.2 document number A5523403, pages 36 - 40 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/4

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Trevor Beatson

Seconded: Member Eddie Bellas

That Te Hiku Community Board:

- a) **re-establish the Kaitāia, Motutangi and Kaikino and Waiharara Area Drainage Committee;**
- b) **appoint the following members to the Kaitāia Drainage Area Committee**
 - i. **Fiona King**
 - ii. **Joe King**
 - iii. **Mike Masters**
 - iv. **Greg Yuretich**
 - v. **Dennis Chapman**
 - vi. **Adele Gardner** _____ **Te Hiku Community Board representative**
 - vii. **Trevor Beatson** _____ **Te Hiku Community Board representative**
- c) **appoint the following members to the Motutangi Drainage Area Committee**
 - i. **Paul Harvey**
 - ii. **Jeremy White**
 - iii. **Adele Gardner** _____ **Te Hiku Community Board representative.**
- d) **appoint the following members to the Kaikino and Waiharara Drainage Area Committee**
 - i. **Aaron Bainbridge**
 - ii. **Fred Petricevich**
 - iii. **Joe Milich**
 - iv. **Adriene Bartlett**
 - v. **Dean Radojkovich**
 - vi. **Fiona King**
 - vii. **Adele Gardner** _____ **Te Hiku Community Board representative.**

And that meetings of these Committees be held on 2 April 2026 and 20 August 2026 at a venue to confirmed.

CARRIED

MOTION

Moved: Member Eddie Bellas

Seconded: Member Mike Te Wake

That Council Staff:

- a) **Approach Drainage Committee Members and confirm they accept continuing in their roles for Year 2025 to 2028.**
- b) **Confirm that proposed dates for 2026 are acceptable to all involved.**

CARRIED

7.3 TE HIKU COMMUNITY BOARD CAPITAL PROJECT PRIORITIES FOR LONG TERM PLAN (2027/37) ALIGNMENT.

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5527217, pages 50 - 54 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/5

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Trevor Beatson

Seconded: Chairperson William (Bill) Subritzky

That Te Hiku Community Board endorse and confirm the following capital project priorities for inclusion in their 2025–2028 Strategic Plan and for progression through Council’s 2027/37 Long Term Plan process:

1. **Taipā: pump track, skate park and a half basketball court, BBQ and seats and loop walkway from toilets to playground**
2. **Karikari: new playground behind hall**
3. **Pukenui: public toilet at Pukenui Sports Field**
4. **Mill Bay Mangōnui: parking and trailer boat parking, pedestrian links to Rangikapiti Rd and Waterfront Rd, (seating, walkway, footpath, lighting and toilet)**
5. **Cable Bay: BBQ and playground tweak**
6. **Coopers Beach: – public toilet by Beach Box**
7. **Karikari: Waitotaraire Reserve / Melissa Road at End of Simon Urlich Rd - tweak to playground and toilet**
8. **Perehipe Beach: more trailer boat parking in reserve**
9. **Hihi: playground upgrade, toilet, a half basketball court, and loop track**
10. **Build a full basketball court in Kaitaia**

CARRIED

7.4 FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Agenda item 7.4 document number A5538520, pages 55 - 57 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/6

Moved: Member Adele Gardner

Seconded: Member Eddie Bellas

- a) **That Te Hiku Community Board approve the application for the sum of \$6,458 (plus GST if applicable) from Ahipara Aroha Inc for costs the purchase of a shipping container for storage from the board’s Pride of Place Fund .**

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8 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

8.1 CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS REPORTS

Agenda item 8.1 document number A5536737, pages 70 - 70 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/7

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Trevor Beatson
 Seconded: Member Mike Te Wake

That Te Hiku Community Board note the February 2026 member reports from Chair Bill Subritzky and members: Eddie Bellas, Mike Te Wake, Trevor Beatson and Krystal-Rose Taaffe.

CARRIED

8.2 THCB OPEN RESOLUTIONS REPORT

Agenda item 8.2 document number A5547857, pages 80 - 80 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/8

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Trevor Beatson
 Seconded: Chairperson William (Bill) Subritzky

That Te Hiku Community Board receive the report THCB Open Resolutions Report for February 2026

CARRIED

9 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

Karakia from Member Mike Te Wake

90 TE KAPINGA HUI / MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 12.38pm.

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Te Hiku Community Board Meeting held on 10 March 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON

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**MINUTES OF
BAY OF ISLANDS-WHANGAROA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE TURNER CENTRE, 43 COBHAM ROAD, KERIKERI
ON THURSDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 10:03 AM**

PRESENT: Chairperson Belinda Ward, Deputy Tyler Bamber, Member Jo Alexander, Member Korey Atama, Member Roddy Hapati-Pihema, Member Dane Hawker, Member Jane Hindle, Councillor Ann Court

STAFF PRESENT: Stephen FitzHerbert (Community Board Coordinator), Kathryn Trewin (Funding Advisor), Amber Wihongi Alderton (Democracy Advisor), Peggy Veen (Principal Advisor – Strategic Relationships), Trinity Lane (Finance and Customer Services Administrator), Roger Ackers (GM – Policy and Planning), Imrie Dunn (Democracy Advisor), Donald Sheppard (Policy Advisor), James Knight-Wagener (District Facilities Design Officer), Robin Rawson (Parks and Reserves Planner), Tammy Wooster (Manager – Integrated Planning), Ken Lewis (Manager – Communications and Engagement), Jaye Michalick (Team Leader - Growth Planning & Placemaking), Azman Reuben (Senior Strategic Planner)

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Member Korey Atama opened the meeting with a karakia at 10:03 am

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

The Chair noted apologies received from Councillor Allen and Te Hono staff who are attending Māngungu commemorations, and that Member Hapati-Pihema would be joining online.

Also noted was congratulations to Deputy Chair Tyler Bamber on his new position at the Turner Centre along with a declaration of a conflict of interest relating to funding application item 7.1 Funding Applications.

APOLOGY

RESOLUTION 2026/1

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward

Seconded: Member Jane Hindle

That the apology received from Cr Arohanui Allen be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

3 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATIONS

Annika Dickey and Jo Lumkong for Our Kerikeri in relation item 7.4.

- Presentation of potential project for open air stage at Kerikeri Domain.

4 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATANUI / PUBLIC FORUM

Rolf Mueller-Glodde for Vision Kerikeri regarding item 7.5 of the agenda.

- Presented proposed amendments to draft terms of reference.

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5 NGĀ KAIKŌRERO / SPEAKERS

Gerry Paul for The Turner Centre regarding item 7.1 of the agenda.

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

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 6.1 document number A5544225, pages 8 - 17 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/2

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward

Seconded: Deputy Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board confirm the minutes of the meeting held 17 December 2025 as a true and correct record subject to minor corrections below:

- a) **Item 7.3 c) – amend amount to \$3673**
- b) **Item 7.1 – add secretarial notes to provide clarity around discussion points raised.**
- c) **Item 7.6 s) – addition of “to the”**

CARRIED

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

7.1 FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Agenda item 7.1 document number A5542762, pages 18 - 20 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/3

Moved: Member Jo Alexander

Seconded: Member Jane Hindle

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board approve the sum of \$7,500 (plus GST if applicable) be retained by The Centre, Kerikeri to be used towards costs of an accessible concert by Troy Kingi to be held no later than 30 June 2026.

CARRIED

Abstained: Deputy Chair Tyler Bamber, Cr Ann Court

Note: Deputy Chair Tyler Bamber declared a conflict of interest and did not participate in the discussion or the vote.

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7.2 NEW ROAD NAME - 1349B STATE HIGHWAY 10, KERIKERI

Agenda item 7.2 document number A5540888, pages 22 - 27 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/4

Moved: Member Dane Hawker

Seconded: Deputy Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board name a right of way “Kiwi Creek Lane” that is located at 1349b State Highway 10, Kerikeri.

CARRIED

7.3 PROPOSAL TO AMEND ALCOHOL CONTROL AREAS IN THE WARD

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5516634, pages 28 - 49 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/5

Moved: Member Jo Alexander

Seconded: Member Jane Hindle

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board, under section 147b of the Local Government Act 2002, recommends that council by resolution:

- a) **declare a new permanent Alcohol Control Area at Waitangi that will apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round , and**
- b) **amend the current permanent Alcohol Control Areas in Kerikeri, Waipapa, and Paihia that will continue to apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round.**

CARRIED

7.4 KERIKERI DOMAIN - PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY GROUP

Agenda item 7.4 document number A5529374, pages 50 - 57 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/6

Moved: Councillor Ann Court

Seconded: Chairperson Belinda Ward

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board

- a) **receive the report Kerikeri Domain - Proposal to Establish an Advisory Group,**
- b) **endorse the establishment of a Kerikeri Domain Advisory Group to provide ongoing advice and feedback on the management and development of the Domain; and**
- c) **endorse the terms of reference for the Kerikeri Domain Advisory Group with amendments to items 4.2 and 11:**
 - 1. **4.2 Consult the Advisory Group on proposed changes, developments, new and existing events that may affect the Domain.**
 - 2. **11. Addition of Community Board representatives to membership**
- d) **apply to Council to remove the Kerikeri Domain from the list of district-wide assets and transfer delegation to the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board.**

CARRIED

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Secretarial Note: Community Board Coordinator to assist the Chair, regarding the delegation process.

At 11:33 am, Deputy Tyler Bamber left the meeting and returned at 11:36 am

At 11:38 am the meeting adjourned and resumed at 11:51 am.

7.5 TE PĀTUKUREA KERIKERI WAIPAPA SPATIAL PLAN - IMPLEMENTATION STEERING GROUP ESTABLISHMENT

Agenda item 7.5 document number A5540696, pages 58 - 67 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/7

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward

Seconded: Deputy Tyler Bamber

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board receives this report and:

- a) **appoint members Tyler Bamber and Jo Alexander to Te Pātukurea Kerikeri Waipapa Spatial Plan Implementation Steering Group; and**
- b) **inform Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy Policy and Regulation of the establishment of Te Pātukurea Kerikeri Waipapa Spatial Plan Implementation Steering Group.**

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Terms of Reference are in draft form and not seeking endorsement. The established group will review and finalise the draft. Proposed amendments from Vision Kerikeri will be provided to staff for consideration in the Terms of Reference.

7.6 WAIPAPA STRUCTURE PLAN

Agenda item 7.6 document number A5540967, pages 68 - 75 refers

RESOLUTION 2026/8

Moved: Deputy Tyler Bamber

Seconded: Member Jo Alexander

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board recommend to Te Kūkupa Committee:

- a) **Exclusion of the following from the Waipapa Structure Plan project scope:**
 - i) **Preparation of a catchment management plan for Waipapa.**
 - ii) **Masterplanning for Te Puāwaitanga**
- b) **That establishment of an Elected Member Working Group is not required for this project, instead key project milestones discussed in this report are reported on to Te Kūkupa for Strategy Policy and Regulation Committee.**

CARRIED

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7.7 BAY OF ISLANDS-WHANGAROA COMMUNITY BOARD CAPITAL PROJECT PRIORITIES FOR LONG TERM PLAN (2027/37) ALIGNMENT.

Agenda item 7.7 document number A5541718, pages 80 - 83 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/9

Moved: Member Dane Hawker

Seconded: Member Korey Atama

That the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board endorse and confirm the following capital project priorities for inclusion in their 2025–2028 Strategic Plan and for progression through Council’s 2027/37 Long Term Plan process:

1. Onewhero Bay – Park inspection and installation of tailored Park signage
2. Te Puāwaitanga – Sealing of gravel carpark, footpath installation and investigation of safe SH10 crossings
3. Russell Public Toilets – Replacement of York Street toilets
4. Waipapa Carpark Public Toilets – Extension of soakage field
5. Whangaroa Reserve – Sealing of gravel area
6. Maritime Storm and Sea-level-rise mitigation - Russell
7. Kerikeri Traffic & Parking – Kerikeri Carpark Plan
8. Parks & Reserves – Waipapa Landing new recreational resources: footpath, car and trailer parking, improved walking access to swimming holes
9. Open spaces – Kaeo recreational space: installation of removeable bollards, amenity lighting and CCTV
10. Amenity Lighting – Priority areas (to be specified)
11. CCTV – Priority areas (to be specified)

CARRIED

7.8 CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS REPORTS

Agenda item 7.8 document number A5541747, pages 84 - 100 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/10

Moved: Chairperson Belinda Ward

Seconded: Member Dane Hawker

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

CARRIED

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8 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS

8.1 BAY OF ISLANDS-WHANGAROA COMMUNITY BOARD OPEN RESOLUTION REPORT

Agenda item 8.1 document number A5544233, pages 101 - 101 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/11

Moved: Deputy Tyler Bamber

Seconded: Member Jane Hindle

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

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: The Community Board formally request a report on footpath maintenance and renewals. This is to be added to the open actions list and reports sought by the Community Board Coordinator.

9 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

Member Jane Hindle closed the meeting with a karakia at 1:10 pm

10 TE KAPINGA HUI / MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 1.10 pm

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board Meeting held on 12 March 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES OF
KAIKOHE-HOKIANGA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MEMORIAL AVENUE, KAIKOHE
ON WEDNESDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 10:00 AM**

PRESENT: Chairperson Jessie McVeagh, Deputy Chairperson Scarlet Mocaraka (from 10:03 am) Member Arohanui Allen (from 10:03 am) Member Eddie Court, Member Denis Orme, Member Doug Te Wake, Member Kelly van Gaalen, Member John Vujcich

STAFF PRESENT: Aisha Huriwai (Democracy Services Manager), Donald Sheppard (Policy Advisor), Melissa Wood (Community Board Co-ordinator), Kathryn Trewin (Funding Advisor), Natasha Rmandic (Democracy Advisor), Peggy Veen (Principal Advisor), Briar Macken (Manager-Strategy and Policy).

1 KARAKIA TIMATANGA / OPENING PRAYER

Member Doug Te Wake opened the meeting with a karakia at 10.00 am.

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

There were no apologies for this meeting.

Member Te Wake declared a conflict with the funding application from Kamira Whakapiripiri Whanau as a distant relative.

Note: Cr Allen and Deputy Chairperson Mocaraka joined the meeting at 10.03am.

3 TE WĀHANGA TŪMATANUI / PUBLIC FORUM

Linda Bracken – Kaikohe Business Association update.

Shem Kerr – Broadwood Sling Bridge - recommend no funding until representation issues are resolved. No consultation has taken place to decide on a design or concept.

Jenny Kerr – Broadwood Mosaics in a public space – Talked about sharp, cutting edges all over the mosaics and being unhappy with the quality of product and install. No consultation – feels that is has caused more of an issue than a gift for the community.

4 NGĀ TONO KŌRERO / DEPUTATIONS

David Adams – Hokianga RSA

5 NGĀ KAIKŌRERO / SPEAKERS

Tyrone Newson and Olivia-May Paku – Kamira Whakapiripiri Whanau

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

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda item 6.1 document number A5540055, pages 10 - 15 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/1

Moved: Member Denis Orme
 Seconded: Member Doug Te Wake

That the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board confirm the minutes of the meeting held 19 December 2025 to be a true and correct record.

CARRIED

7 NGĀ PŪRONGO / REPORTS

7.1 PROPOSAL TO REVISE THE KAIKOHE ALCOHOL CONTROL AREA

Agenda item 7.1 document number A5527509, pages 16 - 37 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/2

Moved: Member Denis Orme
 Seconded: Member Eddie Court

That the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board, under section 147b of the Local Government Act 2002, recommends that council by resolution:

- a) **Amend the current permanent Alcohol Control Area in Kaikohe that will continue to apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round.**

CARRIED

7.2 FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Agenda item 7.2 document number A5538600, pages 38 - 64 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/3

Moved: Member John Vujcich
 Seconded: Chairperson Jessie McVeagh

That the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board approve the sum of \$2,000 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Boards Community Grant Fund Account to Kamira Whakapiripiri Whanau towards the costs for Kamira Wananga 2026.

Abstained: Members Denis Orme and Doug Te Wake

CARRIED

7.2b FUNDING APPLICATION**RESOLUTION 2026/4**

Moved: Member John Vujcich
Seconded: Member Arohanui Allen

That the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board approve the sum of \$1,000 (plus GST if applicable) be paid from the Boards Community Grant Fund Account to Ohaeawai Residents and Ratepayers Association toward the costs for 2026 Taiaimai Day.

CARRIED**7.3 CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS REPORTS**

Agenda item 7.3 document number A5528227, pages 65 - 68 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/5

Moved: Deputy Chairperson Scarlet Mocaraka
Seconded: Member John Vujcich

That the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board note the February 2026 member report from Chair Jessie McVeagh.

CARRIED**8 NGĀ PŪRONGO TAIPITOPITO / INFORMATION REPORTS****8.1 HOKIANGA FERRY LIAISON GROUP MEETING 5TH DECEMBER 2025**

Agenda item 8.1 document number A5543323, pages 69 - 73 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/6

Moved: Chairperson Jessie McVeagh
Seconded: Member Arohanui Allen

That the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board receive the report Hokianga Ferry Liaison Group Meeting 5th December 2025.

CARRIED

Members were reminded that Members Orme and Te Wake are representatives for the Board at the Hokianga Ferry Liaison Group Meetings.

8.2 OPEN RESOLUTIONS AND ACTIONS UPDATE - FEBRUARY 2026

Agenda item 8.2 document number A5504855, pages 74 - 81 refers.

RESOLUTION 2026/7

Moved: Chairperson Jessie McVeagh
Seconded: Member Doug Te Wake

That the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board receive the report Open Resolutions and Actions Update - February 2026.

CARRIED

99 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

Member Te Wake closed the meeting with karakia.

10 TE KAPINGA HUI / MEETING CLOSE

The meeting closed at 11.02 am,

The minutes of this meeting will be confirmed at the Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board Meeting held on 11 March 2026.

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CHAIRPERSON

8.3 COMMITTEE AND JOINT COMMITTEE MINUTES - JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2026

File Number: A5561024

Author: Natasha Rmandic, Democracy Advisor

Authoriser: Aisha Huriwai, Manager - Democracy Services

TAKE PŪRONGO / PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

This report highlights recent Council and Joint Committee meetings and the availability of minutes for reference.

WHAKARĀPOPOTO MATUA / EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recent meetings are listed below, with links to minutes included where available at the time of publication.

Far North District Council Committee Meetings:

- [Minutes of Te Pīpīwharauora – Committee for External Appointments – Thursday, 22 January 2026.](#)
- [Minutes of Te Miromiro - Assurance, Risk and Finance Committee Meeting - Tuesday, 17 February 2026.](#)
- [Minutes of Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation Meeting – Wednesday, 18 February 2026.](#)
- [Minutes of Te Koekoeā - CCO Committee Meeting - Tuesday, 24 February 2026.](#)
- [Minutes of Te Koukou - Transport and Infrastructure Committee Meeting - Wednesday, 25 February 2026.](#)

Joint Committee Meetings:

- [Minutes of Regional Transport Committee Meeting - Tuesday, 10 February 2026.](#)

Note: Any recommendations from committee meetings will be presented separately on the Council agenda for consideration.

TŪTOHUNGA / RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the report Committee and Joint Committee Minutes.

TĀHUHU KŌRERO / BACKGROUND

Council operates several Committees that meet regularly but on different cycles:

- Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance
- Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships
- Te Koekoeā Committee for Council Controlled Organisations
- Te Koukou Committee for Transport and Infrastructure
- Te Kūkupa Committee for Strategy, Policy and Regulation
- Te Miromiro Committee for Assurance, Risk and Finance
- Te Pīpīwharauora Committee for External Appointments.

Agendas and minutes for these meetings are publicly available at <https://infocouncil.fndc.govt.nz/>

Council also has appointed representatives to joint and external committees in partnership with Northland Regional Council (NRC):

- Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Beach Board Committee
- Joint Regional Economic Development Committee
- Joint Climate Change Adaptation Committee
- Civil Defence Emergency Management Committee
- Regional Transport Committee

Further details, including Terms of Reference, can be found on the [NRC Website](#). Agendas and minutes are updated on the NRC [Agendas and Minutes](#) page.

MATAPAKI ME NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA / DISCUSSION AND NEXT STEPS

This report highlights where information is available.

Any recommendations will be presented separately on the Council agenda for consideration.

PĀNGA PŪTEA ME NGĀ WĀHANGA TAHUA / FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGETARY PROVISION

This report has no financial implications.

ĀPITIHINGA / ATTACHMENTS

Nil

8.4 ANNUAL REPORT ON DOG CONTROL 2024/2025 - SECTION 10A DOG CONTROL ACT 1996

File Number: A5579424

Author: Mike McMurtrie, Manager - Compliance

Authoriser: Hilary Sumpter, Group Manager - Delivery and Operations

TAKE PŪRONGO / PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

That the Council receives the Annual Report on Dog Control Policy and Practices 2024/2025.

WHAKARĀPOPOTO MATUA / EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 requires each territorial authority to report on its dog control policy and practices and provide specific statistical information.

This report acts as a medium for this information and is an update on the progress and processes of the Far North District Council Animal Management services.

The report (Attachment A) will be submitted to the Department of Internal Affairs and a link to the document will be made publicly available on the FNDC website.

TŪTOHUNGA / RECOMMENDATION

That the Council receive the report Annual Report on Dog Control 2024/2025 - Section 10A Dog Control Act 1996.

TĀHUHU KŌRERO / BACKGROUND

The Dog Control Act 1996 requires all territorial authorities to report annually to the Department of Internal Affairs on their dog control activity. The information assists central government to assess national trends and developments. This requirement below came into place through the Dog Control Amendment Act 2003, which came into force on 1 December 2003:

10A Territorial authority must report on dog control policy and practices

- (1) A territorial authority must, in respect of each financial year, report on the administration of—
 - a) its dog control policy adopted under section 10; and
 - b) its dog control practices.
- (2) The report must include, in respect of each financial year, information relating to—
 - a) the number of registered dogs in the territorial authority district:
 - b) the number of probationary owners and disqualified owners in the territorial authority district:
 - c) the number of dogs in the territorial authority district classified as dangerous under section 31 and the relevant provision under which the classification is made:
 - d) the number of dogs in the territorial authority district classified as menacing under section 33A or section 33C and the relevant provision under which the classification is made:
 - e) the number of infringement notices issued by the territorial authority:
 - f) the number of dog-related complaints received by the territorial authority in the previous year and the nature of those complaints:
 - g) the number of prosecutions taken by the territorial authority under this Act.

(3) The territorial authority must give public notice of the report:

a) by means of a notice published in:

- i. 1 or more daily newspapers circulating in the territorial authority district; or
- ii. 1 or more other newspapers that have at least an equivalent circulation in that district to the daily newspapers circulating in that district; and

b) by any means that the territorial authority thinks desirable in the circumstances.

(4) The territorial authority must also, within 1 month after adopting the report, send a copy of it to the Secretary for Local Government.

MATAPAKI ME NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA / DISCUSSION AND NEXT STEPS

All Dog Control functions in the district are carried out in-house which includes the administration, field, and shelter services.

This team is responsible for the reactive response to complaints about dogs at large or causing nuisance, ensuring compliance with the Dog Control Act 1996 and the Far North District Council Dog Management Policy and Bylaw, encouraging responsible dog ownership, the registration of dogs as well as community education.

Responding to complaints (RFS)

There has been a total of 2,967 dog control customer requests for service received over the 2024/2025 period. This is 2 less individual requests for service than the previous year and does not include general registration queries of which there were an additional 1473.

Dog Registration

The number of known dogs in the district remains steady at 9,368. Of these 8,177 were registered for 2024/2025 period, giving 88% compliance across the district.

A significant effort was put in to clean up the registration data, including removing deceased dogs and changing of ownership/district details.

Probationary and Disqualified Owners

There is 1 Disqualified owner in the district and no Probationary owners.

Enforcement

There has been a total of 672 infringements issued for offences under the Dog Control Act 1996. This is 248 more infringements issued than in 2024/2025.

The Far North District Council have initiated two prosecutions for attacks that occurred in 2024/2025, against dog owners for breaching the Dog Control Act 1996. One resulted in a voluntary destruction of the dog and fees associated with the case. The other hearing was held late in 2025, for a dog attacking a young child. A sentencing date is set in February 2026.

Menacing and Dangerous Dogs

There is a total of 93 menacing dogs in the district, this is a decrease of 27 dogs from the previous year.

88 of these dogs were menacing dogs under section 33C of the Dog Control Act 1996. These dogs were of American Pitbull Terrier type. Under the Dog Control Act 1996 (the Act) all dogs must be classified as menacing if it belongs to a breed or type currently listed in schedule 4 of the Act, or if the local authority considers the dog poses a threat to people or other animals and wildlife due to its behaviour. All dogs registered within the district and classified as menacing by Council, or any other territorial authority must be neutered.

There is one classified dangerous dog in the district.

Impounded Dogs

A total of 630 dogs were impounded in the council shelter in 2024/25.

41.8% of impounded dogs were either returned to their owners or rehomed.

376 (59.2%) of dogs impounded at the shelter were euthanised due to not being claimed by an owner and not being suitable for rehoming. 114 (20.9%) of these dogs were surrendered by the dog owner for euthanasia.

PĀNGA PŪTEA ME NGĀ WĀHANGA TAHUA / FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGETARY PROVISION

There are no financial or resource implications associated with this report.

ĀPITIHINGA / ATTACHMENTS

1. **Annual Report on Dog Control 2024-2025 - A5579447** [↓](#) 



Introduction

The Far North District Council, as a territorial authority is required to manage and enforce provisions pursuant to the Dog Control Act 1996 (the Act).

Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 requires each territorial authority to report on its dog control policy and practices and provide specific statistical information.

This report fulfils this statutory requirement for the dog registration year 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 and provides an update on the progress and processes of the Far North District Council Animal Management services.

Background

All Dog Control functions in the district are conducted in-house which includes the administration, field, and shelter services.

This team is responsible for the reactive response to complaints about dogs at large or causing nuisance, ensuring compliance with the Dog Control Act 1996 and the Far North District Council Dog Management Policy and Bylaw, encouraging responsible dog ownership, the registration of dogs as well as community education.

The Animal Management team have officers dedicated to either the north or south of the district which allows for the officers to interact with dog owners and the public in those areas. By having local knowledge, the officers can respond to complaints and request for service in a timelier way. The Animal Management team have a work roster to cover after-hour emergencies.

The Council’s Dog Control Policy and Practices

FNDC Dog Management Policy

The Council adopted a Dog Management Policy in February 2019 which outlines the Council’s requirements regarding controlling dogs in public places. The policy is enforceable under the FNDC Dog Management Bylaw 2018.

- Key objectives of the policy are:
- Prevent injury, distress, and nuisance from dogs
 - Identify dog access areas

- Provide for the neutering of menacing dogs
- Minimise potential danger or distress to protected wildlife
- Promote responsible dog ownership

Dog Registration

The council provides a discounted rate for dog owners that de-sex their dog and those who pay registration prior to 1 September.

Fees are used for:

- Dog Control activities including law enforcement, patrols, and complaint investigation.
- Dog incident prevention (including finding unregistered dogs, and the classification and enforcement of menacing and dangerous dogs)
- Education programs for schools and community groups
- Signs for the Council's Dog Management Bylaw and Dog Management Policy
- Shelter Services (including lost and found, adoption and micro-chipping)
- Running the annual dog registration renewal program

Key Achievements 2024/2025

Responding to complaints (RFS)

AMOs responded to a total of 5,433 dog control customer requests for service over the 2024/2025 period. This includes proactive work and school education service requests.

The Animal Management team consistently aims to respond to Urgent RFS (attack and public safety concerns) within 1.5 hours and Non-Urgent RFS (administrative or general dog queries etc) within 3 days.

Dog Registration

The number of known dogs in the district has reduced to 9,368. This is a result of a focused data base clean up and an administrative focus on registration follow up. Proactive follow up at every registered address assisted in this, with a total of 87.3% of the known dog population being registered by the end of the financial year.

The team will again be taking a focussed proactive effort on following up all known unregistered dogs once the annual re-registration period has ended (1 September).

The popular social media campaign promoting dog registration and responsible dog ownership was launched in June 2025. This year's campaign focuses on Storm and her journey to a loving family. The campaign also runs on the council's social media channels to give residents plenty of notice of the payment period starting on 1 July.

This campaign was continued with an information insert 'Kuri Karere Doggo Digest' included with dog registration reminder notices.



Enforcement

Animal Management has a range of enforcement measures that can be taken for offending. These can be as simple as issuing an infringement for lower levels of offending, or as serious as prosecuting the dog owner which can lead to a criminal conviction, destruction of the dog and disqualification as a dog owner for 5 years.

FNDC follow the VADE (Voluntary, Assisted, Directed, Enforced) model to facilitate compliance. This means our staff take the approach of engaging with our customers in the first instance, taking every opportunity to educate them and provide an opportunity to be voluntarily compliant, and then, if necessary, taking the appropriate enforcement action. This approach has resulted in better relationships with dog owners in our communities.

There has been a total of 672 infringements issued for offences under the Dog Control Act 1996. This is 248 more than issued than in 2024/2025. This is largely due to the early proactive administrative work following up noncompliance for dog registration. Infringements are issued if dog owners do not register within given time frames.

The Far North District Council have initiated two prosecutions for attacks that occurred in 2024/2025, against dog owners for breaching the Dog Control Act 1996. One resulted in a voluntary destruction of the dog and fees associated with the case. The other hearing will be held later in 2025 and is for a dog attacking a young child.

Although prosecution numbers are low it is preferable not to be prosecuting. Prosecutions are used only as a last resort where it is necessary to ensure community safety.

Menacing and Dangerous Dogs

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88 of these dogs were menacing dogs under section 33C of the Dog Control Act 1996. These dogs were of American Pitbull Terrier type. Under the Dog Control Act 1996 (the Act) all dogs must be classified as menacing if it belongs to a breed or type currently listed in schedule 4 of the Act, or if the local authority considers the dog poses a threat to people or other animals and wildlife due to its behaviour. All dogs registered within the district and classified as menacing by Council, or any other territorial authority must be neutered.

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376 (59.2%) of dogs impounded at the shelter were euthanised due to not being claimed by an owner and not being suitable for rehoming. 114 (20.9%) of these dogs were surrendered by the dog owner for euthanasia.

All unclaimed dogs are put through the same behavioural assessment program and if they are designated for euthanasia its likely they failed this behavioural assessment test.

The FNDC adopt a dog Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/adoptadogFNDC> continues to have success in rehoming dogs that have been impounded. This page now has over 6,200 followers (a nearly 1000 follower increase from last year)

Rehomed dogs are temperament tested, vaccinated, microchipped registered and desexed prior to going to their new homes.

Desexing Dogs

FNDC continues to partner with SPCA to provide affordable desexing across the district. This initiative will continue into 2025/2026.

Planned Activities for 2025/2026

There will be a continuation of proactive registration and compliance action plans to increase registration rates and identify unknown dogs as well as ensuring compliance with classifications.

This work involves more regular patrolling of problem areas through more accurate reporting of roaming dogs. This gives the team more visibility within communities and the ability to speak with dog owners around their responsibilities and issues they may be having.

Payment plan options are proactively being explored to assist our community where financial barriers may exist.

School education programmes around dog safety were put together in the latter half of 2025. These valuable educational classes will be delivered into 2026 and develop into more community opportunities to promote dog safety and responsible ownership.

Dog Control Statistics

Table one: Registration/Classification related data

	Total 2021/22	Total 2022/3	Total 2023/24	Total 2024/2025
Dogs Registered	10,917 Known 8347 Registered	12,214 Known 8,618 Registered	10,484 Known 8489 Registered	9,368 Known 8177 Registered
Dog Owner Classification				
Probationary	0	0	3	0
Disqualified	5	7	2	1
Menacing Classification				
- By breed	154	175	100	88
- By deed	17	20	20	5
Combined	171	195	120	93
Dangerous Classification				
Section 31(1) a	0	1	0	0

Section 31(1) b	1	1	0	1
Section 31(1) c	1	1	0	0
Total Dangerous	2	3	0	1

Table two: Request for Service (RFS) Data

Customer requests break down by RFS type				
RFS Type	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Attacks	229	257	278	259
Straying	446	526	532	622
Rushing	89	108	125	0*
Barking	285	255	374	377
Aggressive	100	97	123	208
Miscellaneous Enquiries*	671**	698**	703**	596**
Lost and Found	281	273	223	360
Pick-Up Request	424	532	511	465
Dog Welfare	86	112	100	80
Grand Total	2,611	2,858	2,969	2,967

* Rushing statistics were not captured in the 2024/2025 year and are encompassed within other RFS codes a new RFS code specifically for rushing is being created.

** Miscellaneous Enquiries includes adoption queries, refund requests, trap requests, infringement notice enquiries, bylaw enquiries/patrols, signage, general information etc.

An additional 1473 requests for received for Dog Registration queries within the financial year.

Table three: Compliance Data

	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Prosecutions	1	1	1	2
Infringement Offence				
18 Wilful Obstruction of dog control officer or ranger	1	2	8	7
19(2) Failure or refusal to supply information or wilfully providing false particulars	1	0	0	0
19A (2) Failure to supply information or wilfully provide false about dog	0	0	0	0
20(5) Failure to comply with any bylaw authorised by the section	17	29	24	28
23A (2) Failure to undertake dog owner education program of dog obedience course (or both)	0	0	0	0
24 Failure to comply with the obligations of a probationary owner	0	0	0	0
28(5) Failure to comply with the effects of disqualification	0	0	0	0
32(2) failure to comply with the effects of classification of dog as dangerous	0	0	0	0
32(4) fraudulent sale or transfer of dangerous dog	0	0	0	0
33EC (1) Failure to comply with the effects of classification of dog as menacing	0	3	0	8
33F (3) Failure to advise person of muzzle and leashing requirements	0	0	0	0
36A (6) failure to implant microchip transponder in dog	0	1	0	0
41 False statement in relation to dog registration	0	0	0	0
41A Falsely notifying death of dog	0	0	0	0
42 failure to register dog	131	506	295	466

46(4) Fraudulent procurement or attempt to procure replacement dog registration label or disc	0	0	0	0
48(3) Failure to advise change of dog ownership	0	0	0	0
49(4) Failure to advise change of address	0	0	0	0
51(1) Removal, swapping or counterfeiting of registration label or disc	0	0	0	0
52A Failure to keep dog controlled or confined	6	0	8	10
53(1) Failure to keep dog under control	43	92	88	153
54(2) failure to provide proper care and attention, to supply proper and sufficient food, and to provide adequate exercise	0	0	0	0
54A Failure to carry leash in public	0	0	0	0
55(7) Failure to comply with barking dog abatement notice	0	0	0	0
62(4) Allowing dog known to be dangerous to be at large unmuzzled or unleashed	0	0	0	0
62(5) Failure to advise of muzzle and leashing requirements	0	0	0	0
72(2) releasing dog from custody	0	0	0	0
Total	199	633	424	672

Table four: Shelter data

	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Impounded Total	337	517	452	630
Total number of dogs returned to owner	117	161	115	169
% dogs returned to owner	35%	31%	25%	26.6%
Total number of dogs to Rescue Groups	48	76	33	62
Total number of dogs adopted via Council	65	39	23	27
% dogs to Rescue Groups/Adopted	34%	22%	12%	14%
Total number of dogs euthanised	107	241	281	376
% dogs euthanised	32%	47%	62%	59.2%

9 KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA / CLOSING PRAYER

10 TE KAPINGA HUI / MEETING CLOSE