

AGENDA

Supplementary Reports



Wednesday, 30 September 2026

Time: 10:00 am
Location: Council Chamber
Memorial Avenue
Kaikohe

Membership:

Chairperson Jessie McVeagh
Deputy Chairperson Scarlet Mocaraka
Member Arohanui Allen
Member Eddie Court
Member Denis Orme
Member Doug Te Wake
Member Kelly van Gaalen
Member John Vujcich

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S.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - KAIKOHE-HOKIANGA COMMUNITY GRANTS

File Number: A5979644

I, Member Denis Orme, give notice that at the next Ordinary Meeting of Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board to be held on 30 September 2026, I intend to move the following motion:

MŌTINI / MOTION

That all grant applications relating to organisations [or activities] based in Kaikohe be deferred for 90 days; and that, during this period, the FNDC Funding Advisor, actively and proactively engage with, encourage, and support organisations and communities in other areas to identify funding opportunities and prepare and submit grant applications.

CONTEXT AND DISCUSSION | HOROPAKI NGĀ KŌRERORERO

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POLICY AND PLANNING IMPLICATIONS | NGĀ PĀNGA KI NGĀ KAUPAPA

Here in my experience I believe none.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | NGĀ PĀNGA Ā-PŪTEA

None --- same dollars more fairly allocated.

RISKS AND LEGAL MITIGATIONS | NGĀ TŪRARU ME NGĀ WHAKAMAURUTANGA Ā-TURE

The risk to FNDC is through not making more equitable distributions.

IMPACTS ON MĀORI | NGĀ PĀNGA KI TE MĀORI

More diverse Māori inclusion.

EXTERNAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | WHAKAWHITI KŌRERO KI TE HAPORI O WAHO

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ĀPITI HANGA / ATTACHMENTS

1. **Notice of Motion - Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Grants - A5979631**  

Meeting: Kaikohe South Hokianga Community Board
Date of meeting: 30/09/2026

Notice of Motion | Pānui Nekehanga

This section is to place your motion, one or two lines, focus on action required and make the motion clear on intent.

b) Request....

Resolution

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Policy and planning implications | Ngā pānga ki ngā kaupapa here In my experience I believe

NONE

Financial implications | Ngā pānga ā-pūtea

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Risks and Legal mitigations | Ngā tūraru me ngā whakamaurutanga ā-ture

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Impacts on Māori | Ngā pānga ki te Māori

More diverse Maori i inclusion

External Community engagement | Whakawhiti kōrero ki te hapori o waho

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Attachments | Ngā tapiritanga

	Title
A	
B	

Only include necessary information to support the NoM report if needed, Attachment titles should clearly identify each document in layperson's terms, the sources will be printed in the business paper, however the attachments will not be included.

This section is for Staff to fill out

Operational Response | Whakautu Whakahaere

The context of this application states that during the past two years, 67% of grants were made to the township of Kaikohe.

Between 19 July 2024 and 2 September 2026, 100 grants were made by the Board (not including those that were later returned or rescinded).

This covered a total amount of \$434,877.

Of this amount, 34 applications were for projects and events undertaken within Kaikohe and covered 38% of the total grant funding amount. (Breakdown below for information).

Number of applications granted	Location of project/event	Amount Granted	Percentage
2	Broadwood	14617	3.4%
6	Hokianga	63604	14.6%
34	Kaikohe	163571	37.6%
8	Kohukohu	15401	3.5%
1	Lake Ōmāpere	5000	1.1%
2	Māngungu	2000	0.5%
4	Ohaeawai	5240	1.2%
3	Okaihau	5000	1.1%
2	Omapere	5350	1.2%
4	Opononi	6222	1.4%
1	Panguru	15000	3.4%
1	Pawarenga	5000	1.1%
9	Rawene	34755	8.0%
1	Taheke	3000	0.7%
1	Umawera	5000	1.1%
21	Ward	86117	19.8%

Of these applications, those in Hokianga, Māngungu, Omapere, Opononi, Rawene and Taheke (which sit in the South Hokianga sub-division) make up 26% of the funding granted through 24 applications.

A number of applications are of benefit or available to the entire ward, even though they may appear to be Kaikohe only. These make up almost 20% of the applications granted.

It is noted that the application for shade sails is referenced. The shade sail application was made by the member himself and the Board declined it on the basis that there was insufficient demonstration of broader community support and concerns about the ongoing operational cost. There was discussion also about it being a LTP Board priority, but again with insufficient Board support.

It is noted that the Notice of Motion attempts to direct the Funding Advisor to undertake specific tasks. This is outside of the scope and role of elected members and steps into operations.

The members of the Board have been advised both inside and outside of public meetings that staff are happy to meet with potential applicants. In the South Hokianga, the Funding Advisor and other staff invited the member to go along and attend a meeting at Freese Park to discuss community use and funding opportunities, in which they chose not to engage in conversations or attend (Chair McVeagh attended). The North Hokianga representative (Member D Te Wake, is taking up this offer, and arranging to have site visits with a number of potential applicants and projects which the Funding Advisor will attend alongside the member to support.

There is one Funding Advisor for the entire district and they are responsible for all the wards and subdivisions. They make themselves available for funding applicants, both in person and online (by email, video call or telephone), on request.

The Funding Advisor is currently working on a series of community workshops which would include not only other funding entities being invited so community groups can learn about them and how they can assist, but also wananga on getting community groups ready to apply for funding. These are being planned to take place across the district over the next 12 months and would enable increased capacity within community groups to allow them to apply for funding from other organisations.

While the intent of the motion may be reasonable, it would penalise a community simply because of a perceived bias that is not supported by the evidence. The Funding Advisor is already working to assist all communities to achieve their aims and is happy to work with the member if he has any specific groups within his community that he would like to assist. As advised previously, both the Funding Advisor and the Principal Advisor – Strategic Relationships (who is also very involved with community and funding organisations) have confirmed that they are willing to attend meetings in the South Hokianga subdivision, including outside of normal office hours (within reason). The member originating this Notice of Motion has personally been advised of this offer on at least three occasions and has not responded.

Name: Kathryn Trewin – Funding Advisor

Date: 23/09/2026

Financial Implications | Ngā pānga ā-pūtea

This would impact on the service the Funding Advisor would be able to provide to the wider district, which could impact funding applications for other wards.

There could also be increased mileage and overtime.

Alignment with Strategies, Policies and LTP | Te hāngai ki ngā rautaki me te Mahere Pae Tawhiti

The Board already makes their decisions in alignment with the Community Grant Funding Policy. The Kaikohe-Hokianga Community Board have also adopted a Community

Guidance document that gives the wider community guidance based on the Boards Strategic Priorities (which also feed into the Long Term Plan).

Conclusion | Whakakapi

Summarise Council's overall operational position on the motion. This should concisely restate:

- *Whether the motion is supported or not supported*
- *The key reasons for that position*
- *Any conditions, considerations, or alternative pathways that elected members may wish to consider*

Mover's Signature: _____ *Denis Orme*

Name: Full Name _____ Date: 07/09/2026

Reminder: Submit to Chief Executive at least 5 clear working days before meeting (SO 26.1). Motion must comply with Standing Orders 26.1–26.7.