

## COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT

**Report to:** Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board  
**Member Name:** Manuela Gmuer-Hornell  
**Subdivision:** Opuā – Russell  
**Date:** 12 March 2020

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### Meetings

Date	Meeting
14/2/2020	Cuppa with the councillor at Butterfish Russell
25/2/2020	Committee Meeting Russell Sports Club
5/3/2020	Community Board Meeting - Kerikeri
11/3/2020	175 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Battle of Kororareka – Te Maiki <i>Ko Te kuini e hiahia ana kia whakaritea te Kawanatanga, kia kaua ai nga kino e puta mai ki te tangata Maori ki te Pakeha e noho ture korero ana</i> The Queen wants the Government to be organized so that no harm will be done to the Maori people, by the Pakeha, who are legally speaking.

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### Issues

Projects being put on hold even after they had funding allocated.

Covid-19 Virus keeping the local communities informed – mainly about visiting Cruiseships.

Dire situation at the FNDC pound – short-staffed (offers from volunteers have been turned down), several breaches of the Animal Welfare Act (again).

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### Resource Consents

Searching under “Russell” on <https://www.fndc.govt.nz/Our-Services/Resource-Consents/View-resource-consent-applications> Brings up 15 pending Resource Consent Application. Searching under Towai = 1 pending Resource Consent Application. Searching under Opuā shows 1 pending Resource Consent Application. Both Motatau and Maromaku return 0.

I am reiterating: It is impossible to locate all resource consents for my region – if the marae and other interested parties can receive these from FNDC, then we (community board) should too.

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### Requests for Service/Information

RFS 3988901	Russell's Rubbish Woes – ongoing
RFS 3990249	Coastal Track - Te Araroa - Opuā to English Bay Closure

RFS-3995322	Street Lighting Pomare Rd/Florance Ave Russell – pending
RFS-3878599	Parking in York Street Russell short term Council Carpark in Church Street Russell to be maintained better (weeds, abandoned cars, signage) add parking slot markings on carpark outside of Tennis Court to maximise parking spots.
RFS-3997123	Footpath Damage York Street – a major trip hazard in a highly frequent area
NO NUMBER YET	Lodged 21/2/2020 Clean out drains in Russell Township before heavy rain
RFS-3997144	Clean out culverts on Franklin Street before heavy rain
RFS-3997168	Footpath blocked by overgrown bushes – right by the pedestrian crossing to Opuia School
RFS-3998398	Local community member asking for financial assistance for his ongoing roadside clean up (to dispose of the rubbish picked up)

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## In progress

- 2200223-RMALUC – proposal for helicopter landing site non-notified – petition tabled at CB Meeting 3/2/2020
- Robertson Street Stormwater Project to be completed
- Opuia Resource Consent non-notified for development Franklin St/Kellet St – petition tabled at CB Meeting 3/2/2020 – this has now gone to a full (over 100 attendees) community meeting 8/3/2020 – and we have just been told FNHL has sold the land to a private developer!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- Carpark for Oasis Community Centre – this has been ongoing since 2018
- Lack of rubbish collection point and recycling collection during peak season around Russell Wharf (owned by FNHL)
- House build planning breach – Chapel St Russell
- Footpath approaching Long Beach – been approved but not carried out
- Footpath Kellet Street – Opuia School – been approved but not carried out
- Petition Okiato Boundary for paper road RFS-3996575 – tabled at CB meeting 9/12.19
- to include re-doing the FNHL terms of reference/objective in their comments about what the next annual plan and long term plan should cover. – tabled at CB Meeting 3/2/2020