

Member's Report

Name: Belinda Ward

Subdivision: Paihia Subdivision

Date: 30th December 2022 - 27th January 2023

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting	Comments
13/01/23	Paihia Waterfront Working Group	To progress Placemaking - Virtual
14,15/1/23	2 day Community Placemaking Workshop at Copthorne Waitangi	Organised by Focus Paihia & very well attended by the wider community & staff.
18/01/23	CBEC Zone 1	To discuss roles, responsibilities, expectations & co-sharing role - Virtual
20/01/23	Paihia Waterfront Working Group on-site walk & discussions	To discuss outcomes from 2 day community workshop
23/01/23	Monthly catch up with Mayor & CB Chairs	To discuss CB Chairs roles & any issues - Virtual
23/01/23	Mayor & BOI-W CB Paihia member	To discuss Paihia related issues - Virtual
24/01/23	BOI-W CB Extraordinary Meeting followed by CB Strategic Plan W'shop	To deal with 2x funding applications - JBC
24/01/23	Haratu Marae Russell	Attended meeting called by Kororareka Marae Chair re application to NZ Geographical Bd to reinstate name
26/01/23	Kings Rd Paihia on-site	Met with Focus Paihia Chair & NTA to discuss roading

Community Issues

Issue name	Comment
Sewage spill	Requested immediate signage for health & safety & water sample testing by NRC - not actioned.
Waitangi Day Waste	Resolving of rubbish & recycling service for the reserve area not included in the Waitangi Day budget
FNHL Playground	Discussion had with FNHL staff member to provide shade over the playground at Opuia.
Opuia-Paihia Walkway	Frustration from track users due to poor communication

Modular Tower	There is great community interest in a proposed "Modular tower" development for 6 Puketona Rd Paihia. The high rise is being marketed subject to vendor gaining Resource Consent.
Cruise Ships	There is still a lot of interest & discussion in the community both for & against the return of Cruise Ships to the Bay of Islands. Many are not happy with the amount of covid around & the threat to our communities. Apparent funnel air pollution was also a concern.
Freedom Campers	Community concerns were high over the peak Christmas/ New Year period particularly in the Te Haumi beach area where the environment was impacted by campers ablutions despite a toilet block at the northern end
Car Vandalism	This summer the BOI area is experiencing an increase in vehicle vandalism & thefts. Boat fuel thefts have also been noted.

Requests for Service (RFS)

RFS number	Date	Comment
4140542	30/12/22	Sewage spill from private property into Waitangi River & surrounds
4081664	15/11/22	A historical RFS regarding the removal of a rowing boat from the reserve beside Shippey's at Waitangi. Progress update 25/01/23: FNDC to remove prior to Waitangi Day.
4141134	09/01/23	Update required for squatters on reserve at Waitangi.
4138990	09/01/23	Upper School Rd Paihia ongoing watermain issues update - "permanent replacement is subject to some zonal monitoring".

Other Issues

Ongoing growing anti-social behaviour in & around the BOI townships & communities.

Lack of policing (alcohol prevention officer) to enforce rules around premises.

Noisy vehicles / motorcycles & dangerous driving in & around CBD areas.

Wet weather during the month of January has affected tourism & visitor numbers to the Far North. The economic impact will not be known for some months.