

Name: Kōwhai Deputy Mayor Kelly Stratford

Ward: Bay of Islands - Whangaroa

Date: October 2023

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting Topic	Comment	
28 Sep 2023	Ngā Puawai Oneroa a Tōhe	Detail in attendances report further down	
29 Sep 2023	Cyclone Gabrielle Recovery Governance Group	Approved the Regional Resilience Plan, had update on Future of Severely Affected Land process, and funding.	
2 Oct 2023	Disability Action Group	Attended briefly to share korero on promoting the DAG via our comms team, with a photo and korero on what the DAG does and when the next meeting is.	
	CE & Kōwhai catchup		
3 Oct 2023	Te Huia – ERC Hui Chair the monthly review of CE performance committee		
	Te Kuaka Committee		
	Severe weather review	The panel came to Kaikohe to interview the mayor, myself and staff who were involved in the Civil Defence events this year. A link has been distributed to elected members and on our social media asking for further feedback.	
4 Oct 2023	Planning & Policy work	Art, Culture & Heritage Strategy needs to come to Te Kuaka ahead of the Feb Council hui.	
5 Oct 2023	Business Call	Concern raised about what happens with toilet facilities when the old Kaitaia Pool is closed. General observation the school holiday behaviour really good	
	Kerikeri Bypass/ring road	FNDC have been acquiring property for decades. Need to have a strategic approach to this	
	Job Explore	Meeting with employment advisors organising the INZONE 2024 Job Explore Event and secondary school to self-employment roadshow. Looking to work in with MTFJ and Kahika, to bring this to Kaikohe	
9 Oct 2023	Kaikohe Social Housing	Blessing of the completed housing	
	Mangamuka Site Visit	Visit to the slip sites to hear about the delays due to weather and how successful the works are going	
	Te Koukou Committee		





10 Oct 2023	Te Hono	
	Driving Change	Regional hui of community driver licensing providers. Good forum to hear the continuing challenges but good results coming through since the community driver licensing changes came into effect. www.drivingchange.nz for more information
	Toi Ngāpuhi	Presented with the Ngapuhi Arts & Culture Strategy, and how Toi Ngapuhi can assist in growing mahi toi in Te Tai Tokerau. Also reminded of the role they played in the council Arts & Culture strategy, so where is that at.
	Waitangi/Paihia/Opua Water Treatment Plant	The goal is safe potable drinking water. Building a relationship between hapū and project team, hopefully become a working group that can steer the entire project.
11 Oct 2023	Council agenda preview	Reviewing agenda before printing
12 Oct 2023	Bay of Islands Hospital	Opening of building which will provide new family health in partnership with Ngati Hine Health Trust, primary health services, oncology and upgraded renal department.
	Business Call	94 cruise ships incoming to the Bay of Islands this season. The ships are operated sustainably compared to previous years.
13 Oct 2023	ESR hui re methamphetamine in wastewater	Police and agencies use the information to measure community wellbeing and to get the resources in place, where it is needed. But controlling the narrative. The data also assists with two workstreams, stopping drugs coming to the border and prevention and reduction of harm. Ventia has concerns around resourcing to expand testing. Following up on.
	Hui on rating Matauri Bay	Good hui with Matauri X representatives and the right staff in the room, to ensure we can finally get to the bottom of some of the issues of rating the right properties. Some unused portions. Some public use parts which need to be addressed. Another hui set down for 10 th Nov to check in on progress.
16 Oct 2023	Tumu Taupua Kōwhai & Kahika hui	
	Te Hono hui	Working together to progress the ever growing issues that are being brought to Māori ward councillors.
17 Oct 2023	Long Term Plan Workshop	Trying to get the greatest benefit for our communities, with the amount of money we can





		spend. This will mean a look at services in the consultation for our LTP Lite.
	Kahika & Kōwhai catchup	Bringing Kahika up to date
18 Oct 2023	Waikare Catchment Plan hui	Waikare called for all council and agencies to come together to wananga a proactive way forward for addressing erosion, flooding, water quality. Looking at a rangatahi led hapū environmental plan being developed. Agencies to work together
	Te Moringai Hui	Update on progress
19 Oct 2023	Council hui	
	Rangitane hui	Hapu and residents discussing potential for tripartite ownership of the resource consent and issues of discontent
20 Oct 2023	Preservation of Biodiversity	Pest management sought on the Kawakawa wastewater boundary
	Community board catchup	Discussed the dog issues in general, and how the community would like to lead solutions
	Whatuwhiwhi Occupation	Cr Kapa and I met with landowner regarding the processes and to explain some principles of tikanga in preparation for hui in Whatuwhiwhi
26 Oct 2023	Business Call	Still waiting for the cabinet in Te Ahu for the Te Hiku Revitalisation plan awards, and a process change on the financial reports, request they not need auditing. CCTV connectivity in Mangonui. Speed review for the Kerikeri/Bay of Islands catchment – questioned again why it is taking so long to come back to council and the recommendation to adopt, as has been through community consultation.
	Patia Waahi Tapu Hui	Meeting at Haititaimarangai Marae to hear out the concerns by hapū and determine an agreed way forward. I apologised for the fact the hapū have an IHEMP in place, which should have prevented this escalation of events and that engagement between the landowner with hapū should have been supported by FNDC. The hapū are seeking the following:
		1. Patia o Matariki to be classified as a waahi tapu – this is within the Proposed District plan process staff have confirmed this is part of current PDP process or a plan change can be initiated as a recc to the panel. <i>Outstanding</i> –



		what is the mechanism to protect in the meantime?
		2. Remove digger – completed
		3. Dune restoration Programme - to be fenced. Hapū lawyer suggests covenant to be placed on area. Would make this portion of the landowner's property non-rateable. Landowner to consider with his advisors. Kelly liaise with NRC on potential avenues for funding. FNDC to await instruction from hapu to assist.
		4. Meeting with council, lawyers, archaeologists – another hui date set to check in on progress and staff response. Archaeology report to hapu. Hapu to critique report
		No further development on second easement and the dunes. FNDC to follow up on formalising this agreement so no future works occurs on 2nd easement. (Landowner does not require)
27 Oct 2023	Community board catchup	Community led solutions for dog issues, agenda processes, Christmas Grant funding. Date is set for Community hui 14 Nov 2023

Community Matters

This section should be completed for matters arising within the community, which Council need to be aware of. It could be related to ongoing projects, requests, feedback etc.

Topic	Comment
Stormwater issue	Marreine Place – will leave in here until engineering works are completed during this summer period.
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Resource Consents	For all the resource consent issues landowners and iwi and hapū are having with council, it would make sense that Te Hono has a planner in their team.
Ōhaeawai	 This community has been putting up with the stormwater issue exacerbated by our footpath and lack of maintenance for decades. What they still need: Still need to address the footpath. Still waiting for staff to meet with residents onsite. Or be willing to come to a meeting with Ohaeawai Residents Association. What they need in the long-term: Have received information from Northland Regional Council staff on flooding and rivers and await hui to discuss Pekapeka River and catchment. No response re unmaintained drainage along the state highway with Waka Kotahi, whether they are doing their part towards flood mitigation on their stormwater infrastructure.



	Community have already done some scoping, and if we would like them to deliver good value for money, they could make a bit of money go a long way to address on a larger scale.
Mayflower Takeaways	This business was in the Ford Building in main street Kawakawa which has been impacted by a massive slip behind. Landlord appears to once again be evading doing the remedial work, and Mayflower are keen to get up and running again. Monitoring and enforcement need to manage that slip work before the entire building becomes a health & safety risk. Further – concerns were raised at a stakeholder's hui regarding the potential threat that slip poses, should it give way completely and cause the building to collapse and block state highway 1
Puketiti	Awaiting a workshop on this.
Hihitahi Rise	Emergency response meeting still to come and need to make sure this road is captured by NTA – it will likely need a business case, its not a small slip.

Portfolio Update: (Emergency Management)

Northland's Regional Recovery Plan for Cyclone Gabrielle won the overall award for Recovery at last month's EMPA (Emergency Media Professionals' Association) Awards in Wellington. The plan was commended for its basis in community consultation and work with multiple stakeholders, as well as including diverse voices from community members across Tai Tokerau. When presenting the award, one of the judges called it 'a truly fantastic piece of work'.

Training / Conference Attendance

This section is to be completed when an elected member has attended a professional development opportunity or a conference on behalf of Council. It should outline the learnings from attending the event and value to the organisation.

Name of Event: Ngā Puawai Te Oneroa ā Tohe

Date of Event: Thursday Sep 28th - Saturday Sep 30th

Learnings: Three-day Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Wānanga with approximately 90 people to reach a common ground and agree on actions to regenerate and protect Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe. Utlising the Future Search method - a globally recognised, large scale planning programme that brings the 'whole system' into the room. The object is to finish the wānanga with a clear action plan and movement to regenerate and protect Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.

Value for the organisation: Council has a role to play in the implementation of the desired outcomes, so it was so good to be in the room with iwi, hapū, community, business and agencies on this huge Kaupapa. Kahika was invited as a "beach board" member, I attended on his behalf. It was a really good use of my time. I learnt so much about Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe and hapū, community, environmental and business aspirations.