

Chairperson's Report

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Subdivision: Kaikohe

Date: 04/03/2023

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting	Comments
12 February	Te Puna o Kūpenuku - deputation follow up hui	Meeting attended and chaired by Kahika Moko, Councillors Halkyard-Harawira, Babe Kapa and Te Hono staff. The consensus was that TPOK had progressed well and displayed their ongoing commitment to progressing a successful and viable campus. Any future concerns by members of the public should be addressed by lodging a request for service.
26 February	Waitangi Feedback Hui	<p>Lots of positive feedback regarding the event including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stalls providing great variety of food etc • Attendance and participation by so many • Communication between organisers with FNDC • Opportunity to develop better for 2025 <p>Concern for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • residents that may have had public using their roads as alternate access to the event due to google maps redirection • Travel time and congestion and looking at ways to minimize for 2025 • Damage to some properties, roadside signage by public parking inappropriately • Media not projecting the overall positivity of the event
27 February	West Coast Road Hui - FNDC, NTA, local members of the community - Mina Pomare and Anaru Kendall	Cost of roading projects - Motuti slip particularly is excessive and requires continued regular monitoring to ensure there are no further movement issues prior to work starting. Other road projects discussed were Pawarenga/Runaruna Road and the slip past Ngahareta urupa in Panguru. NTA to share map that includes all roading project updates, will be available soon on FNDC Website.

		1.9Kms of seal to start next summer from the long bridge in Waihou up past the church on West Coast Road.
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Community Issues

Issue name	Comment
Kaikohe Ride for Life	Bike licensing event will be discussed and shared after the next meeting planned for March.
Roading	Brynderwyns closure maps are now available on the FNDC website.
Kaikohe streets	While I have received some good comms regarding RFS's submitted I continue to be disappointed about the state of the main street and surrounding street roads. In particular, gutters that are full of debris, overgrown weeds, filthy rubbish bins and general tree maintenance in parks etc.

Requests for Service (RFS)

RFS number	Comment
4157436	Lindvart Park Trees - falling debris, branches, leaves coupled with the sludge along curbsides causing flooding pushed across Mangakahia Road into Kaikohe East School carpark. The most recent flooding warranted a 111 call as the water lapped at classroom and office doors. In 2020 the entire block of 6 classes and office area were completely flooded resulting in all flooring and classroom equipment needing to be replaced causing extreme distribution to the school. Update – Arborist assessment has been completed and work is being scheduled to rectify the issues with the trees. RFS made 9 May. This RFS remains outstanding
4189889	New playground recently opened opposite McDonalds needs some urgent mowing and cleaning. The skate park is a mess and in need of a facelift. This is a new facility that we need to upkeep regularly as it is used heavily by the public. Mowing and cleaning has been carried out. Skate park bowl not attended to possibly due to funding.
4156512	Recycling bags being left at the Pawarenga Junction and not being collected regularly causing dogs to tear bags and create a lot of roadside rubbish. Communication received to note the completion of this RFS

4160342 / 4178153	Rawiri Tawhanga Park plaque is disappointing. We take our schools to visit this park as Rawiri was a warrior in his time and a great Maori Role Model. The plaque that explains his work has many Maori words spelt incorrectly. RFS made May 28, 2023, Update - Councillors Rakena and Kapa contacted re correct spelling, no changes to plaque yet. This remains outstanding.
4191130	Kohukohu speed signs review
4190285	New Lindvart Park Sports complex, contact person is Debbie Raphael. New complex co-ordinator recently appointed - Kohi Woodman, complex planned opening in April.
4194482	Ventia have confirmed that sweeping and cyclic edge (back of kerb) spraying works are programmed to commence in the March-April programme.

Other Issues

1. Kaikohe Ride for Life

Bike for Life hui held January 24th. Update included many more informal complaints from residents and a formal complaint from a resident on Monument Road. This is now a working group not a subcommittee of the KHCB.

2. Motuti / Runaruna roading slips

Frustration continues over the time taken to fix the Motuti slip. Now that there is a slip on the Runaruna Road the community is at risk of being cut off from necessary facilities and the Forestry business that employs many local Hokianga members has stopped. Members may remember the deputation at KHCB hui by Andrew Kendall, General Manager of Te Puna Topu Forestry who pleaded for this road to be a priority as he knew that the Runaruna Road was unstable.

3. The KHCB Strategic Plan

The draft has been shared by KHCB members with community groups for feedback. We look forward to as many projects as possible included in the FNDC Long term plan. Our priority areas continue to include: waste management in the Hokianga, the lack of housing, the long term effects of recent flooding and ongoing roading issues. At our most recent meeting we were excited to hear from Sportsville representative Justin Blakie with an update, he also wanted support to include a heated pool in this project. He commended FNDC regarding the funding and support for the Sportsville project. The heated pool will be added to the KHCB strategic plan.

4. Mowing and maintenance systems Kaikohe/Hokianga community board members would like to have shared any schedules to do with Mowing, weeding, spraying etc to be shared with them so that they can have a more confident response when faced with complaints and frustrations from community members who are paying rates. Often, we are faced with situations whereby we have to go on a hunt to find who to talk to within FNDC and responses aren't always timely. Transparency and sharing of systems, schedules etc would help us greatly.