



Te Hiku

Community Board

Chairperson's Report

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Subdivision: Kaitaia Te Hiku

Date: 29 November 2022 – 26 January 2023

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting
29/11/22	Site visit to Pukenui
07/12/22	Te Ao Maori Induction Overview in Kaikohe
10/12/22	Sir Hector Busby Centre opening at Aurere
13/12/22	Waste Water briefing on Hihi and Taipa
13/12/22	Parklet workshop
13/12/22	Te Hiku Community Board Meeting
15/12/22	CB Chairs Meeting with the Mayor
15/12/22	Council Meeting in Kaikohe
16/12/22	Events Investment Panel
17/12/22	Opening of the boardwalk and pump track in Awanui
19/12/22	Te Hiku Project Working Group (THPWG) meeting - virtual
19/12/22	Taipa Upgrade Concept Development
23/01/23	CB Chairs Meeting with Mayor
25/01/23	THPWG Meeting – virtual
26/01/23	Hihi Concept Improvement Plan engagement at Hihi

Report:

The Te Hiku Project Working Group:

- The Opening of the new boardwalk behind the Big River Café and the pump track in the Awanui Park was the highlight for December.
- In the Market Square in Kaitia - the planter boxes, shades and the new stage have been erected. The community is able to use the stage by contacting Kaitia Business Association - there is a small charge.
- Bus shelters in Awanui & Ahipara are being installed this week - this should make a difference to those communities who will have shelter from rain and sun.
- There are more openings to come with Pou in Awanui being installed on SH 1 & SH 10 - once the lighting has been installed a date for the openings will be announced.
- The last project called the Town Square had a great plan, but as with anything left till last it has succumbed to big budget cuts as the funds have run out. We had planned on putting in the plan into the Age last week, but it wouldn't be right to put out what we hope for when the budget doesn't allow.

We will make some adjustments and get out a smaller version of the Town Square in the next fortnight. We hope to have a plan in stages so that as more funding becomes available, we can seek to have the full vision completed in future. Please note the dates below of the consultation for the Town Square, which is at the Digital Hub on Commerce Street.

Monday	13 Feb 10.00 am -1.00 pm
Tuesday	14 Feb 10.00 am -1.00 pm
Wednesday	15 Feb 11.00 am -2.00 pm
Wednesday	22 Feb 3.00 pm -5.30 pm
Thursday	23 Feb 10.00 am -1.00 pm
Friday	24 Feb 11.00 am -2.00 pm

The Hihi Concept Improvement Plan Engagement was held on the 26 January at Hihi - 55 people attended from the community. Most people are reasonably happy with their reserves in this area, however we heard loud and clear that a new playground is required and the apparatus in the park is past their use by date. Also perhaps a new toilet in the playground area. A better level of service is required re mowing and spraying the edges of footpaths. The feedback date for the Hihi Concept is 24 March 2023.

Requests for Service (RFS)

RFS number	Date	Comment
4142518	17/01/2022	Follow up on behalf of a ratepayer at Heath Road, Waiharara - road was recently graded, and dust suppressant applied.