



Te Hiku

Community Board

Chairperson's Report

Name: Adele Gardner

Subdivision: Kaitaia Te Hiku

Date: 9 November 2023 – 29 November 2023

Meetings Attended

Date	Meeting
09/11/2023	Award for Best Tiny Town – Awanui won
13/11/2023	PWG meeting
13/11/2023	Interview for Land Drainage position
14/11/2023	Long Term Plan Workshop - Kaikohe
14/11/2023	Health, Safety & Risk workshop
16/11/2023	Council meeting - Kaikohe
16/11/2023	Housing Action Plan workshop
21/11/2023	Te Hiku Community Board meeting
21/11/2023	Intro from Growth Planning and Placemaking team and Q&A with consultant for input into Best Practice Placemaking Guideline (BPP)
27/11/2023	Community Board Chairs meeting with the Mayor
27/11/2023	Transport Committee meeting
27/11/2023	Transport Committee workshop
29/11/2023	Te Hiku Recreation Trust meeting

Report:

Kaitaia Town Square – the final milestone

A blessing delivered 14 November by Anglican Archdeacon Fran Hokianga at Kaitaia town square marked the start of the final stage of the wider Te Hiku o Te Ika Revitalisation Open Spaces project.

Work on the community-led project will see 20 meters of the former PAK'nSAVE carpark blocked off to vehicles and transformed into a town square for Kaitaia central. Parking will remain behind the town square. The aim is to create a people-focused outdoor space with bollards at the entrances to prevent vehicles entering. The goal is for the town square to become a multipurpose space that can be used for a variety of activities.

Local construction businesses, OS construction, will be the lead contractor, with support from other local subcontractors, including Laser Electrical who will install smart poles around the space that combine lights, security cameras, power and WIFI. Stonecraft Construction will be responsible for removing much-loved mosaic tiles on existing walls. These will be stored and re-purposed at a later date with the beautification project. Stonecraft Construction will also design and build water feature for the square.

Residents will begin to see progress on the new town square before Christmas with the addition of native plantings, tables, and seating with shade umbrellas. Future amenities will include a bike stand, and room for mobile food carts. It is hoped that a café will be built on this site.

Wherever possible, pedestrian access will be maintained during construction process to ensure pedestrians can still access Commerce Street from the remaining carpark area behind the work site.

The award-winning Te Hiku o Te Ika Revitalisation Open Spaces project has helped transform Kaitaia, Awanui and Ahipara by installing 81 infrastructure, art and placemaking developments. The Kaitaia town square project will be funded by Knoa, the government's Regional Economic Development and Investment Unit, and the council, which has secured funding through the Annual Plan this year.

You can keep up to date with the project on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/p/Te-Hiku-Open-Spaces-Revitalisation-Project-100068982161665/>

Requests for Service (RFS)

RFS number	Date	Comment
4182067	12/11/2023	Tokerau Beach Ramp Access collapsed
4182654	15/11/2023	Puwheke Beach – Vehicles on Beaches – referred to the Team Leader-Policy & Bylaws