

Murupara Community Board *Te Poari Hapori o Murupara*



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A Membership - Mematanga

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Board Member Mere Honeycombe - Chairperson

Board Member Irma Prentice - Deputy Chairperson

Board Member Mansahn Kereopa

Board Member Sheena Jones

Board Member Alison Silcock

Board Member Jesse Morgan-Ranui

Councillor Ngapera Rangiaho

B Role of the Community Board

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Section 52 of the Local Government Act 2002 details the role of a community board:

- a. represent, and act as an advocate for, the interests of its community; and
- b. consider and report on all matters referred to it by the territorial authority, or any matter of interest or concern to the community board; and
- c. maintain an overview of services provided by the territorial authority within the community; and
- d. prepare an annual submission to the territorial authority for expenditure within the community; and
- e. communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community; and
- f. undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the territorial authority.

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1 Apologies - Te hunga kāore i tae

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No apologies were recorded at the time of compiling the agenda.

2 Acknowledgements/Tributes - Ngā Mihimihi

An opportunity for members to recognise achievements, to notify of events, or to pay tribute to an occasion of importance.

3 Conflicts of Interest - *Ngākau kōnatunatu*

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected member and any private or other external interests they might have.

The Elected Member Register of Interest is available on the Whakatāne District Council website. If you wish to view the information relating to Community Boards, please click this <u>Register Link</u>.

4 Public Participation - Wānanga Tūmatanui

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4.1 Public Forum - Wānanga Tūmatanui

The Board has set aside time for members of the public to speak in the public forum at the commencement of each meeting. Each speaker during the forum may speak for five minutes. Permission of the Chairperson is required for any person wishing to speak during the public forum. Applicants seeking funding from the Board are encouraged to speak in support of their application at this time.

With the permission of the Chairperson, Board Members may ask questions of speakers. Questions are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by a speaker.

4.2 Deputations - Ngānanga Whakapuaki Whaitake

A deputation enables a person, group or organisation to make a presentation to Community Board on a matter or matters covered by their terms of reference. Deputations should be approved by the Chairperson, or an official with delegated authority, five working days before the meeting. Deputations may be heard at the commencement of the meeting or at the time that the relevant agenda item is being considered. No more than two speakers can speak on behalf of an organisation's deputation. Speakers can speak for up to 5 minutes, or with the permission of the Chairperson, a longer timeframe may be allocated.

With the permission of the Chairperson, Elected members may ask questions of speakers. Questions are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the deputation.

5 Confirmation of Minutes - Te whakaaetanga o ngā meneti o te hui

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5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 24 March 2025

**	Details of Meeting:	MURUPARA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT MURUPARA SERVICE CENTRE, 48 PINE DRIVE, MURUPARA, MONDAY, 24 MARCH 2025 COMMENCING AT 10:01 AM
WHAKATĀNE District Council Kla Whakatāne au i ahau	Present:	Mayor V Luca, Board Members M K Honeycombe (Chairperson), S Jones, J Morgan-Ranui, I Prentice, A Silcock, M Kereopa, and Councillor N Rangiaho
	In Attendance:	Councillor Iles, V Richards (Strategic Coordinator – Community Partnerships), S Evans (Urban Planning and Development Lead), and S Duffy (Senior Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	Mere Kereopa, and Arihia Hoani-Waaka (Iarau Limited)
	Apologies:	

Chairperson Honeycombe opened the meeting with a Karakia at 10:01 am.

1. APOLOGIES

Moved Councillor Rangiaho / Seconded Member Prentice

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board accept an apology for early departure from Mayor V Luca.

CARRIED

An apology was noted for Kaumatua Tupe.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

Chairperson Honeycombe welcomed Mayor Luca, Council staff, Iarau Limited representatives and the attending public to the meeting.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum advised for this meeting.

5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 24 March 2025(Cont.)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Refer to pages 8-12 of the agenda.

Correction: Section 4.2 – Bus services from Murupara to Rotorua continued three times per week.

Moved Member Jones / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT, subject to the above correction, the minutes of the Murupara Community Board held on Monday, 10 February 2025 be **confirmed** as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Chairperson Honeycombe offered to facilitate with Members on the development of a submission regarding renewed consenting of the Aniwhenua Dam, and Councillor Rangiaho would inform Mayor Luca with relevant information.

REPORTS

6.1. Governance Administration – March 2025

Refer to pages 13-16 of the agenda.

Moved Councillor Rangiaho / Seconded Member Prentice

RESOLVED:

- 1. THAT the Governance Administration March 2025 report be received; and
- THAT the Murupara Community Board appoint Mr Mansahn Weku Kereopa to the Board for the remainder of the 2022- 2025 Triennium; noting he will complete his declaration at this 24 March 2025 meeting.

CARRIED

Member Kereopa was welcomed as the newest member of the Board, after completing his declaration that was witnessed by Mayor Luca.

Attendance: Mayor Luca left the meeting at 10:16 am.

6.2. Murupara Community Board Activity Report

Refer to pages 17-22 of the agenda.

During discussions the following points were noted:

 Feedback to staff regarding the EB Road Safety Programme – a great initiative but suggested inclusivity of all the community.

5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 24 March 2025(Cont.)

- Information would be included at the next meeting regarding the suggestion of time payments at the Murupara Resource Recovery Centre.
- The representative from Iarau Limited gave an overview of the Southern Towns Regeneration Master plans and spoke of the engagements held. The Minginui community had given feedback on the first draft and their final version would be available in April for approval. Due to the Murupara engagement rates being lower, the timeframe for the Murupara first-draft plans would be April/May. Iarau Limited were keen to hold another engagement session and Member Prentice would provide suggested dates to them.

Moved Member Silcock / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board Activity – March 2025 report be received.

CARRIED

CHAIRPERSON AND COUNCILLOR REPORTING

7.1. Chairperson Report – March 2025

Refer to pages 23-25 of the agenda.

Regarding vandalism incidents, it was agreed community spirit, community pride, and understanding cost of repair were important factors to communicate.

Moved Member Ranui / Seconded Member Jones

RESOLVED:

THAT the MCB Chairperson's Report – March 2025 report be received.

CARRIED

7.2. Tabled item - Councillors Report - March 2025

Refer to page 26 of agenda and pages 26a- c of the tabled items.

Regarding the Murupara Wastewater Consent process, it was requested there was transparency of reporting and in "layman's terms".

Moved Member Silcock / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the MCB receive the tabled item: MCB Councillor Report March 2025.

CARRIED

5.1 Minutes – Murupara Community Board 24 March 2025(Cont.)

8. Members Reporting

- Councillor Iles re-laid the decision made at the March Council meeting where rates for Y2 of the Long Term Plan were approved at 11.7% and 1% reduction internal debt. It was confirmed the Council website enabled users to choose a rates payment plan. It was suggested this could be made clearer on the website.
- Drowning Prevention Aotearoa provides water safety learning opportunities around New Zealand. Members Silcock and Ranui recently attended the Drowning Prevention Aotearoa hui in Taupō. Member Silcock reported back with some key learnings and it was noted that the group was looking at standardising signage across NZ and Australia.
- Chairperson Honeycombe had visited the Murupara Electrical Centre and acknowledged their support to the community and wished them well moving forward.
 Councillor Silcock would draft a letter and forward to the Chair for signing.
- A discussion ensued about the location of the remainder three meetings in the 2022-2025 triennium and low turnout from locals. Feedback from majority of members showed they were in support of the meetings remaining in Murupara until the new triennium.
- Board Members asked for guidance regarding support surrounding the current medical situation in Murupara.

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA FROM CHAIRPERSON HONEYCOMBE AT 11:27 AM.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:
CHAIRPERSON

6 Reports - Ngā Pūrongo

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District Council

6.1 Governance Administration – March 2025

To: Murupara Community Board

Meeting Date: Monday, 12 May 2025

Author: S Duffy / Senior Governance Support Advisor

Authoriser C Viljoen / Manager Governance Services

Reference: **A2851704**

1. Reason for the report - Te Take mō tēnei rīpoata

This report provides the Murupara Community Board with updates from the Governance Services team and includes one discretionary fund application for the Board's consideration.

2. Recommendations - Tohutohu akiaki

- 1. THAT the Governance Administration May 2025 report be received; and
- 2. THAT the Murupara Community Board **considers** allocating discretionary funds to Taima Rua to assist with costs to attend the 8th World International Massage Championship in Denmark from 27-29 June 2025.

3. Background - He tirohanga whakamuri

3.1. Funding Criteria

The criteria for the Community Board Discretionary Fund are:

- No retrospective funding applications will be considered.
- Supporting documentation on how you calculated your costs is required to justify the amount sought.
- Applications will be considered at the next appropriate Community Board meeting.
- The project must be held within the community board area you are seeking funding for
- The Community Board has the option to collaborate with other Boards in the joint funding of major projects.
- Grants of up to \$1,000 may be considered to support groups attending international or national
 events.
- Boards generally lean towards funding an annual or biannual event once but reserve the right to consider each one on a case-by-case basis.
- A "guarantee against loss" may be offered to support an event that may require either seeding or back up finance this is to give you confidence that funds up to the value offered will be available following the event if it runs at a loss.

6.1 Governance Administration – March 2025(Cont.)

- Applicants will be invited to attend the Public Forum at the commencement of the Board meeting
 the application will be considered at to provide a brief overview of the application. You will be
 notified of the time and date prior to the meeting.
- If successful, applicants will be required to use the relevant Community Board logo on advertising material and other items associated with the event or project to acknowledge the grant made.
- A declaration of expenditure and project report is required once the project has been completed.
- Funds not uplifted within six months from the allocation date will lapse.
- Applications are accepted throughout the year subject to funding availability.

3.2. Project Fund

The following table indicates the unallocated grants and subsidies (discretionary) fund:



The current balance of the Murupara discretionary fund as at 30 April 2025 is approximately \$6,380.00.

4. Subjects – Kaupapa

This section contains information that the Governance Services team wish to update the with the Members.

4.1. Meetings

Te Maruata Whānui Hui

Chairperson Honeycombe and Member Morgan-Ranui attended the Te Maruata whānui hui in Taupō on 3-4 April 2025. They were the only Community Board attendees representing our district at the hui. Thank you for attending and we hope that it provided valuable information and insights.

Murupara Community Board - AGENDA

6.1.1 Appendix 1 - Application for Funding - Taima Rua

Combined Community Board meeting

The final Combined Community Board meeting for the 2022-2025 triennium was held on 6 May and a good representation from all Boards were present. Subjects covered were as follows:

- i. Introduction to the most recent members of the Executive Team
- ii. Local Waters Done Well presentation
- iii. Report from the Governance Services team
- iv. Local Elections 2025 presentation from Council's Electoral Officer
- v. Activity updates from each Community Board

4.2. Follow up Matters

- Thank you to all members who have returned their completed Pecuniary Interest Forms. The current return rate is 96%.
- A Solid Waste update has been included within the Activity Report and covers the topic of the fees and charges.
- Strategic Coordinator Community Partnerships will give an update regarding the Eastern Bay Road Safety Programme School initiative and the reasons for it
- Guidance from Council was provided to members regarding support surrounding the current medical situation in Murupara.

4.3. Funding Applications

4.3.1. Taima Rua

Taima Rua is seeking sponsorship to attend the 8th World International Massage Championships in Denmark and she states it "presents an invaluable opportunity for me to represent our community and showcase my skills on an international stage".

Attached to this report:

Appendix 1 - Application for Funding – Taima Rua

6.1.1 Appendix 1 - Application for Funding - Taima Rua



Application Form - Individual

All sections must be completed and supporting material attached to the back of the form (see section 8 Checklist). More information can be found on our website www.whakatane.govt.nz or by contacting our Governance Support Advisors on (07) 306 0500.

Completed applications must be sent to: Chief Executive

Whakatāne District Council

Private Bag 1002 Whakatane 3158

WHICH COMMUNITY BOARD ARE YOU APPLYING TO?					
For each	For each project or service you may apply to ONE of the following discretionary funds only:				
	Rangitäiki Community Board		Tāneatua Community Board		
✓	Murupara Community Board	NOTE	The Whakatāne-Ōhope Community Board has a different form – see website		

HELPFUL INFORMATION BEFORE FILLING OUT THE FORM

- No retrospective funding applications will be considered.
- You must live within the community board area you are seeking funding from.
- $\blacksquare \quad \text{Supporting documentation on how you worked out your costs is required to justify the amount sought.}$
- Applications will be considered at the next appropriate Community Board meeting
- Grants generally up to \$500 will be considered to support an individual attending international or national events.
- Applicants will be invited to attend the Public Forum at the commencement of the Board meeting the application will be considered at to provide a brief overview of the application. You will be notified of the time and date prior to the meeting.
- A declaration of expenditure and results report is required once the event has taken place.
- Funds not uplifted within six months from allocation will lapse.
- Applications are accepted throughout the year subject to funding availability.

1	CONTACT DETAILS
1.1	Name: Taima Rua
	Daytime Phone:
	Email:
	Postal address for correspondence: Ruatāhuna

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The same of the sa	WHA Dis	MATĀNE Discretionary Funds Strict Council Individual Application Form		
2		ABOUT YOUR FUNDING REQUEST		
2.1	Please pr	rovide a title for the event for which you are seeking funding (approx 8 words):		
	8th Worl	ld International Massage Championships		
2.2	Give a brief description your achievements relevant to your application request (if you require more space, please list the key points here and attach a full description to the back of this form): I am writing to seek sponsorship to attend the 8th World International Massage Championships in Denmark. This prestigious event is scheduled to take place in the city of Copenhagen from the 27th to June 29th, 2025. This presents an invaluable opportunity for me to represent our community and showcase my skills on an international stage. As a dedicated indigenous rongoā practitioner for Te Kura Atuatiratanga kahui Mirimiri, I have worked diligently to hone my craft and provide exceptional service to our communities which include Waiōhau and Ruatāhuna. I am currently working along our whānau under Te Puna Ora o Mātaatua in Whakatāne.			
2.3	When is t	the event taking place? Ongoing OR Starts: 27 th Finishes: 29 th		
2.4	Funding	Description – tick the appropriate boxes		
		Provision of seeding funding for community events		
		Support for Community Projects		
		Purchase of works of art for public reserves		
	✓	Projects associated with youth and the elderly		
		Facility development and upgrades including property owned by community organisations		
		Pride and beautification projects within the community		
		Board generated projects, events or initiatives		
		Promotion and advertising		
	✓	Attendance at National or International Competition		
2.5		katāne District Council has adopted a set of Climate Change Principles to ensure that climate change be consider isions. Please consider potential impacts to Climate Change that the project/event may have.	ed	
	I will try to	o follow this.		
3		MEASURING THE SUCCESS YOUR PARTICIPATION AND FUTURE PLANS		
3.1	What d	do you hope to achieve and what are your future plans?		
	I am committed to representing Murupara with pride and excellence at the event, and I am eager to bring back new knowledge and skills to share with others.			
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Discretionary Funds

1	WH	AKATĀNE District Council	Discretionary Funds Individual Application Form			
3.2	2 Whi	ch of the following of the (Council's Community Outcomes applies? — tick the appropriate boxes			
	✓	Effective Leadersh	ip - Striving for our Future Wellbeing			
		Community Needs	– A caring community			
		Quality Services –	Excellent Value for Money			
		Valuing our Enviro	nment - Sustaining for future generations			
		Reliable and Affor	dable Infrastructure – Meeting current and future needs			
	Sustainable Economic Development – Working in partnership					
3.3	What will happen if: this funding application is unsuccessful or, only a portion of the funds are received or, a guarantee against loss is provided rather than a grant?					
	✓	The project will pro	oceed as outlined			
		The project will be (please specify exp	delayed exted length of delay):			
		The project will be	downgraded			
	The project will be prevented from being carried out					
ı	C	THER COUNCIL FUNDIN	NG			
		ng assistance has your gro	up/organisation applied for and/or received from the Council over the past 3 years – upport:			
	Year	Amount received	Purpose			
			I have not applied for any funding before			

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FINANCIAL DETAILS OF YOUR REQUEST					
Note: All figures to include GST (if any).					
Please provide a breakdown of the budg	get for which you are seek	ring assistance:			
PROJECT COSTS	S	PROJECT INCOME			
Description of cost*	Amount	Income source	Amount		
Salaries / wages	\$-	Applicant organisation's contribution	\$		
Postage/telephone/administration	\$-	Fundraising	\$ 3000		
Advertising / promotion	\$-	Donations / sponsorship	\$		
Professional fees	\$ -	Entry fees	\$		
Travel costs	\$ 3000	Value of donated material	\$		
Project materials	\$-	Other Grants applied for (please specify):	\$		
Labour cost	\$ -		\$		
Venue / equipment hire	\$-		\$		
Other costs (please specify):	\$	Other income (please specify):	\$		
Conference costs	\$ 2000	Personal Funds	\$2000		
Accommodation/ Meals	\$ 1000		\$		
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	(a) \$6000	TOTAL INCOME	(b) \$5000		
TOTAL FUNDING SHORT FALL (i.e. 'a' minus 'b')	(c) \$ 1000	1			

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5 DECLARATION

I do solemnly and sincerely declare and acknowledge that:

- The details we have given in all sections of this application are true and correct to the best of our knowledge.
- We have the authority to commit our group to this application.
- All information contained in this application is subject to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and will be included in a publicly available agenda.

(If you do not wish for any personal details to be made public, please indicate this in your application. The information is held and administered by Whakatāne District Council in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 and Whakatāne District Councils Privacy Policy.)

- · The Council may collect from third parties any information it deems necessary about the applicant or the application.
- A declaration of expenditure and results report is required once the event has taken place.

Name:	Taima Rua	
Signature:		
Date:	5.5.2025	
Any personal details to withhold:		

7 CHECKLIST

Please complete the following checklist to ensure you have completed the application process and attached all necessary information:

✓ All sections of this form have been completed

You have attached a bank generated deposit slip verifying your bank account details

You have attached information on your plans, costings or quotes for your expenses

You have made a copy of this application for your future reference

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Sponsorship Request Letter

Murupara Community Board

Monday 5 May 2025

Dear Members of the Murupara Community Board,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to seek sponsorship to attend the 8th World International Massage Championships in Denmark. This prestigious event is scheduled to take place in the city of Copenhagen from the 27th to June 29th, 2025. This presents an invaluable opportunity for me to represent our community and showcase my skills on an international stage.

As a dedicated indigenous rongoā practitioner, I have worked diligently to hone my craft and provide exceptional service to our communities which include Waiōhau and Ruatāhuna. I am currently working along our whānau under Te Puna Ora o Mātaatua in Whakatāne.

However, the costs associated with attending this event are significant. They include travel, accommodation, registration fees, and other related expenses. To cover these costs, I am seeking financial support from you. Your sponsorship will enable me to attend this important event without the financial burden that could otherwise hinder my participation.

The total cost is \$6000 this includes airfare and return, accommodation, meals and insurance. I have personally raised close to \$5000 to help cover costs.

I am committed to representing Murupara with pride and excellence at the event, and I am eager to bring back new knowledge and skills to share with others.

Thank you for considering my request. I would be delighted to provide any additional information or discuss this proposal further at your convenience.

Warm regards,

Taima Rua	
Ruatāhuna	
Ruatāhuna	3079

District Council

6.2 Murupara Community Board Activity Report

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To: Murupara Community Board

Date: Monday, 12 May 2025

Author: T Chapman / Kaitohutohu Whenua Māori and

V Richards / Strategic Coordinator – Community Planning

Authoriser: D Bewley / GM Planning, Regulatory and Infrastructure

Reference: **A2876098**

1. Reason for the report - Te Take mo tenei ripoata

This report is to provide the Community Board with an update on Council activities to the end of April 2025, and covers the following activities:

- Youth Council
- Transportation Roading Updates
- Murupara Pool
- Solid Waste
- Local Water Done Well Consultation Have your say
- Murupara Library and Service Centre
- Community Plans

2. Recommendation - Tohutohu akiaki

THAT the Murupara Community Board Activity Report: May 2025 be received.

3. Youth Council

During the school holidays, there was an exciting opportunity to attend the Students Against Dangerous Driving (SADD) conference, held at St Peters College in Cambridge. This event brought together young people from across the North Island to learn about the SADD programme and how to apply its principles within their communities. Two Murupara students represented our community at the conference and reflected on a powerful takeaway around the serious consequences of using a cell phone while driving, and how even a moments inattention can have a life-changing impact.

4. Transportation – Roading Updates

4.1. Mimiha Stream Bridge Replacement - Ruatāhuna Road

The southern bridge approach has now been poured. Earthworks are continuing in order to build up the northern bridge approach and the tie-in to the reserve area. The removal of the temporary bridge is about to occur signalling that the project is nearing completion.

6.2 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

4.2. Te Whaiti gabion retaining wall



Sealing of the road and line marking is now complete. Both lanes are now open, and traffic management will be removed once the seal has had time to settle.

5. Murupara Pool - That's a Wrap!



The Murupara Aquatic Centre's very successful season ended last Friday. We would like to thank our Murupara Lifeguards Eruka, Trina, Chelsea, and Skylark for working so hard to maintain and supervise a very important place for the Murupara community. Excellent water quality was maintained, patrons were safe, and some difficult situations were navigated. We're very fortunate to have such an honest and independent team in Murupara and we cannot wait to have them back for next year.

Murupara Community Board - AGENDA

6.2 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

5.1. Pool safe

We are proud to announce that both our Murupara and Whakatāne facilities have successfully received their Poolsafe certifications following our annual audit. This achievement represents the collective effort and dedication of our entire team across both locations.

The certification confirms our ongoing commitment to maintaining the highest standards of safety, supervision, and water quality. We will continue building on this foundation as we strive for excellence in all aspects of our aquatic services.

6. Solid Waste

6.1. Murupara Resource Recovery Centre Fees and Charges

When council agreed to introduce charging at Murupara Resource Recovery Centre (MRRC) on 1 February 2025, it was agreed that it would be on a 12-month trial basis. However, at the time no decisions were made on how the trial would be measured or how we would know if it was a success. On 30 April 2025 the Solid Waste team presented to council with suggestions on how we could monitor the effects of charging and measure whether the trial was a success. A copy of that presentation is attached.

It was concluded that two months of information was not enough to measure the success of the trial; however, we would continue to monitor the following for the 12-month period to aid decision making:

- Amount of Waste to Landfill from MRRC.
- Amount of Recycling from both MRRC and Kerbside Collections.
- Amount of Kerbside Waste to Landfill.
- Revenue and Expenditure associated with Charging.

The presentation outlines some of the lessons learned to date and these are:

- Waste Volumes over December and January were double other months as residents took the opportunity of the last couple of free months to get rid of rubbish, tidy out sheds and garages etc.
- Revenue has not been as high as expected but this is partly due to relatively low volumes of waste in the last few months.
- There has been little push-back on the charging since implementation and we believe that having 'locals' running the centre has helped with this.
- There has been an increase in kerbside bin replacements and repairs suggesting people are using their bins more.

We had a small number of requests for accounts at the MRRC. As the facility does not have a weighbridge or internet access (the Eftpos machine runs on a SIM card), we are unable to provide a similar accounting system to the Whakatāne RRC. However, for a limited number of customers we have developed a paper-based system. This system is seen as a backward step in processes, and it is very paper and administratively heavy. We have therefore restricted this to schools, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Manawa and Ngāti Whare.

6.2 Murupara Community Board Activity Report(Cont.)

6.2. Kerbside Recycling Contamination

The trucks that collect council's kerbside mixed recycling collection (yellow lid bins) usually drive directly to the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) in Tauranga after collection, where the recycling is sorted. Unfortunately, due to the high level of contamination in Murupara's mixed recycling the sorting facility is refusing to accept it. For the last six months or so we have been emptying out the loads in Whakatāne and pre-sorting what we can before sending what we can retrieve to the MRF. This double handling is not effective.

We were hoping that the recycling campaign we undertook just before the fees were implemented at MRRC would have had a positive effect, but this does not seem to be the case. We require residents to sperate their personal household waste correctly so that we can provide an effective service. We cannot do it alone. We will continue to monitor the situation.

6.3. Battery Recycling

We now offer household battery recycling at MRRC. Batteries MUST have the terminals taped over BEFORE dropping them off. A media campaign is supporting this new service and further details can be found at: www.whakatane.govt.nz/services/rubbish-and-recycling/pecycling/battery-recycling.

7. Local Water Done Well Consultation – Have Your Say

Our "Local Water Done Well" consultation is now live at the Whakatāne District Council, and we have visited communities during early May to get thoughts on the future of how local water services should be delivered in the future. A pop-in session at the Murupara Service Centre is being organised.

We are asking for feedback on two options:

- 1. A Multi-Council CCO (Council Controlled Organisation) is the Council's preferred option, or
- 2. A Standalone Business Unit within Council.

From the analysis undertaken to date, a Multiple Council CCO would provide greater opportunity to gain both capital and operational efficiencies over time and therefore manage the cost of water services better. A CCO would see an appointed Board make decisions on behalf of the constituent Councils, with Councils only influence being through an annual Statement of Expectations.

A Standalone Business Unit would leave the Council to make decisions but would require additional investment in Three Waters beyond the current levels on an ongoing basis. Based on modelling to date, this is likely to be a more expensive option in the longer term.

Either option is very likely to see the cost of the delivery of waters increase over time.

The Government is also setting water standards that will lead to greater levels of investment as well as monitoring and compliance reporting; and have proposed wastewater standards that could lead to options for upgrading treatment and disposal that are possibly less constrained than has been planned for through the LTP.

This is an important decision, and the Council is keen to hear from as many people in the community as possible. You can learn more and see event details at: https://koreromai.whakatane.govt.nz/wai-it-matters. Please share with your networks and encourage others to have their say.

8. Murupara Library and Service Centre







Beautiful Harakeke flowers with local weavers and personalised tote bags with Whakatāne Library staff were two of the organised activities enjoyed by tamariki and their whānau during the Easter / ANZAC School Holidays at the Murupara Library and Service Centre. The Easter colouring competition was a big success with the tamariki and staff being kept busy issuing Chromebooks for avid computer fans.

We were also pleased with the launch of the 'Murupara Hub' Facebook page which shares Whakatāne District Council updates for our local communities and also to acknowledge and celebrate our Community Learning Specialist, Mere Honeycombe, who graduated at Te Whare Wānanga O Aotearoa, Mangakōtukutuku Campus in Hamilton with her Te Waka Hiringa Master of Indigenous Knowledge.

9. Community Plans

The Councils <u>website</u> includes the just-completed Matatā Community Plan. Community Plans are a way to capture and prioritise the aspirations of area-based communities and create a path to achieve those goals. They are a way for local people to take positive action in their communities and are supported by the Council.

Attached to this Report:

Appendix A: Murupara Resource Recovery Centre - Charges Trial Period

6.2.1 Appendix A - Murupara Resource Recovery Centre - Charges Trial Period



Murupara Resource Recovery Centre - Charges Trial Period

Manager Solid Waste - Nigel Clarke Date: 30 April 2025

Murupara Resource Recovery Centre (MRRC) - Charges Trial Period



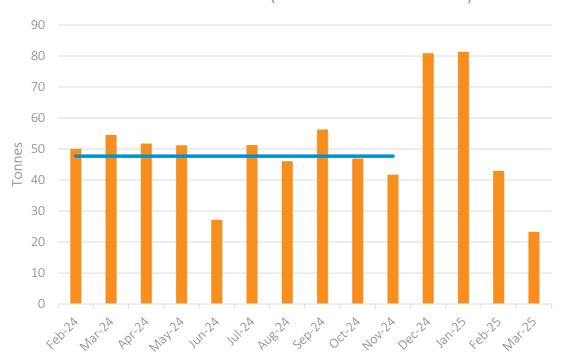
- Council decision to implement MRRC charges for a 'trial' period of 1 year
- Charges started on 1st February 2025
- When do we assess the 'trial'?
- How do we know if it was a 'success'?
- How do we measure it?

When do we assess the 'trial'?



• Is the last 12 months a true representation of long-term waste behaviours?

MRRC Landfill Waste (does not include Kerb)

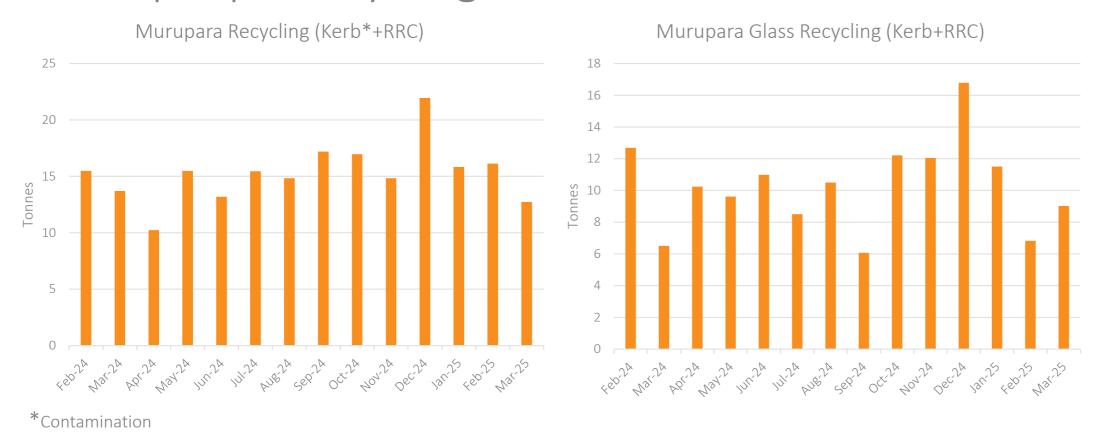


- When do we assess the trial?
- Should we measure waste to landfill?

How do we measure it? - Recycling



• Are people recycling more?



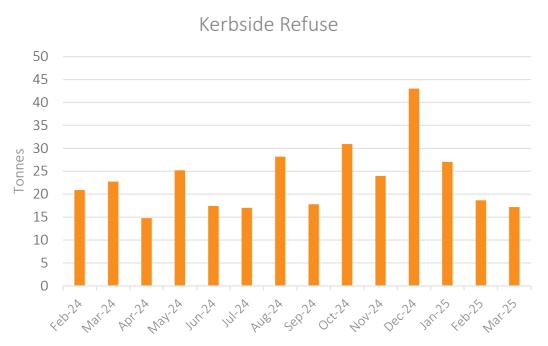
Should we measure recycling?

Refuse?

How do we measure it? – Kerbside



Are people putting more in their kerbside refuse?



- Data does not support that so far, but tonnages vary greatly.
- Do we continue to monitor kerbside refuse?

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How do we measure it? – Revenue/Expenditure



	Budgeted	Forecast	Difference
Revenue	\$180k	\$57k	(\$123k)
Fees Related Expenditure	\$5k	\$25k	(\$20k)
Landfill Waste Costs	\$230k	\$115k	\$115k
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$55k)	(\$83k)	(\$28k)

Revenue: Budget based on previous tonnages and Whakatāne RRC fees. Is forecast representative long term?

Fees Related Expenditure: Did not take into account an extra hour required by contractor each day after closing.

Landfill Waste Costs: Current landfill waste volumes are half previous tonnages and therefore forecast less.

How do we measure it? - Flytipping



- Requests for service show NO reports of flytipping in Murupara area for the year up to Feb 2025.
- Requests for service show NO reports of flytipping in Murupara area after 1st Feb 2025.
- We do not have records of flytipping dropped off at MRRC prior to 1st Feb 2025, only RFS reporting.
- Do we measure flytipping?
- Do we measure anything else?

Lessons Learned



- Two months data is not telling us much
- Revenue has not been as high as expected
- Schools and iwi required accounts
 - Paper heavy process
 - Limited users
- Little push-back after implementation
 - Site run by locals
- Increase in kerbside bin replacements and repairs

7 Chairperson and Sub-Committee Reports

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7.1 Chairperson's Report – May 2025

Community Board

To: Murupara Community Board

Date: Monday, 12 May 2025

Author: M McLean / Board Chairperson

Reference: A2882804

1. Reason for the report - Te Take mō tēnei pūrongo

Karakia: Traditional Māori Chant (Opening)

Whakataka te hau ki te uru

Cease the winds from the west

Cease the winds from the south

Cease the winds from the south

Let the breeze blow over the land

Let the breeze blow over the ocean

E hī ake ana te atakura

Let the red-tipped dawn come with a sharpened air

He tio, he huka, he hau hūA touch of frost, a promise of a glorious day

The breath of life!

E mihi ana ki a koutou katoa.

Tīhei mauri ora!

2. Recommendation - Tohutohu akiaki

THAT the MCB Chairperson's Report – May 2025 is received.

3. Community Meeting – *MCB Te hapori*



7.1 Chairperson's Report – May 2025(Cont.)

I start this report acknowledging board member Ranui who attended the Te Maruata meeting held in Taupō in April. I was unable to attend due to being unwell with the flu. This opportunity to learn more and build on what you know is important to help support our small community board.

4. Acknowledgements



During the month of April, the Tūhoe Ahurei was held in Waimana over the Easter Weekend. Congratulations to Ngāti Haka/ Patuheuheu who represent Waiōhau for winning the overall trophy of this event which is Te Iki Pouwhare. It has been many years since our community has taken out this trophy. Special mention also to Ruatāhuna who came second.

Members of the community of Waiōhau recently graduated under Te Wānanga o Aotearoa in Hamilton with a master of indigenous studies degree. There research is helping to support the redevelopment of their meeting house, Tama ki Hikurangi. I would like to congratulate Hemi Akuhata, Ngawaiata Tupe, Te Rina Tupe and Meri Ratana.



7.1 Chairperson's Report – May 2025(Cont.)

5. Reporting Issues

I would like to remind all membership if someone approaches you to express their concerns within our communities. Encourage them to report the issue whether it's a pothole, fallen tree or water leak, provide the details, a service request will be logged.

You can either refer them to the website link:

https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/contact-us/fix-it-and-report-problem

Murupara Service Centre (Civic Square, Murupara)

Phone: 07 366 5896.

Toll-free phone (Murupara and Galatea residents only): 0800 306 0500

After Hours: 07 306 0500

Whakatāne District Council

Civic Centre, 14 Commerce Street, Whakatāne

Phone: <u>07 306 0500</u>

Email: info@whakatane.govt.nz

Mail Address:

Whakatāne District Council

Private Bag 1002 Whakatāne 3158 New Zealand

6. Elections – Te titiro whakamua

The presentation from Dale Ofsoske, Electoral Officer at our combined meeting was very insightful the next triennial election will occur on Saturday 11 October 2025.

I would be helpful for an indication from all of us who intend to put their names forward for the next three years. This will help with future planning and helpful to ensure the ongoing success for our communities.

Karakia: Closing

Karakia: Traditional Māori Chant (Closing)

Ka whakairia te tapu Kia wātea ai te ara Kia turuki whakataha ai Kia turuki whakataha ai Haumi ē, hui ē, tāiki ē! Restrictions are moved aside.
So the pathway is clear.
To return to everyday activities
To return to everyday activities
Enriched, unified, and blessed.

District Council

7.2 Councillors Report - May 2025

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To: Murupara Community Board

Date: Monday, 12 May 2025

Author: Councillor N Rangiaho

Reference: **A2881902**

1. Reason for the report - Te Take mō tēnei rīpoata

The report is to provide an overview of the activities undertaken and events attended since the last meeting.

2. Recommendation - Tohutohu akiaki

THAT the MCB Councillor's Report – May 2025 be **received**.

3. Community Engagement

3.1. Māori Ward Referendum update

Māori Ward Referendum ignites controversy around the motu. I believe there is a strength of unity and to note a perspective from the lens of passionate and ordinary people who drive campaigns in support of Māori Kaupapa impacted by Central Government decision making.

Jack Karetai-Barret, aged 15, walked from Whakatāne to Pāpāmoa to support and to retain the Māori Wards. This rangatahi is no stranger to politics. He has a view of the future that supports unity and fairness. Action station groups, Tangata Tiriti advocates were in full support of Jack. There was a celebration BBQ held in Whakatāne on his return. Jack in his humility reminded everyone, it was not about him - it was all about keeping the Māori Wards.

Murupara Community Board member Jesse Morgan-Ranui and I attended Te Maruata LGNZ conference held in Taupō hosted by Tūwharetoa ki Taupō and Taupō District Council. Te Maruata is an advisory group to Local Government New Zealand providing guidance and support on Māori issues in local government. Whakawhanaungatanga (kinship) and manaakitanga (hospitality) is paramount for robust and supportive engagements to share and find resolve. There was a strong focus on upcoming Māori Ward referendum, electoral enrolment and voting.

It is a gathering of District Councillors, Regional Councillors, Mayors, with CEO to give a lens on what is happening in each region. A resounding message about Council views and, Community and Iwi view are diverse and, in some instances, a complete 'miss'.

7.2 Councillors Report – May 2025(Cont.)

3.2. Local Waters Done Well – Wai it matters

Significant legislative changes around water and funding infrastructure from Central Government, collectively known as 'Three Water' – Local Waters Done Well, challenges Council of how water services will be delivered to our communities in the future. Council has to take into consideration the protection of our environment, supporting public health and sustainable growth within our District while complying to Council regulatory responsibilities. Arrangements are being sort for consultation in Murupara.

Murupara Wastewater Treatment Plant goes through a filtering system via the effluent ponds which discharges into the Rangitāiki River. This Kaupapa literally needs community voices in how communities sees 3Waters playing out and yes, impact will be as ratepayers. Two options have been provided. Consultations and submissions are now open and closes on 18 May 2025. The following link <u>Local Water Done Well | Kōrero Mai - Let's Talk</u>, helps provide consultation and submission processes.

3.3. Kiingitanga representative – Rāhui Papa

Whakatāne District Council hosted the arrival of Rāhui Papa renown speaker and representative of the Kiingitanga. Nika Rua with 'Ngā toenga o Iharaira and Tamakaimoana organised and arranged the event. It was an opportunity to hear Rāhui give historical accounts of the Kiingitanga movement, its relationship with Mataatua Iwi but also its relationship with Council.

One of the five key priorities of Whakatāne District Council is 'Strengthening relationships with iwi, hapū and whānau. Key staff members continue to work with iwi to understand aspirations but also commitment to Post-Treaty settlement agreements and supporting economic opportunities like local tourism operators - Te Kohutapu, Whirinaki Te Pua-a-Tāne, Te Tii Ruatāhuna and Lake Waikaremoana Great Walk

3.4. Hui Ahurei o Tūhoe

Longest running iwi festival spanning over 50 years where, families and visitors descended upon Waimana Kaaku to watch the uniqueness of Kapa haka for all ages. The young and elderly braved the wet elements to show solidarity, identity and pride in support of whānau performers. Plenty of food truck, merchandise stores and Hauora tents with Te Puna Ora o Mataatua supporting our Kaumatua with a large marque that kept them dry and plenty of hot food and drinks.

The event raises awareness and issues that challenge Tūhoe perspective in an ever-changing world and the perspective of each generation.

Congratulations to Patuheuheu and Ngāti Haka who won overall performances and bringing Te Iki-o-te-rangi Pouwhare trophy, Te Rangiāniwaniwa trophy in remembrance of John and Wenarata Rangihau and Tūhoe Ahurei Wikitoria McCorkindale trophy mō te Poi, onto Waiōhau Marae.

7.2 Councillors Report - May 2025(Cont.)



3.5. ANZAC DAY – Lest we forget

In the early dawn of each year, there is a serenity that befalls Tipapa Marae. Ceremonial acknowledgements and respect to fallen soldiers and survivors of World Wars. The prayers and the playing of the Last Post, reminds us 'Lest we forget'. And when all the formalities are respectfully blessed, a hearty breakfast for a hearty gathering.

When all was done at Tipapa Marae, whānau moved over to attend Waiōhau Marae in the laying of wreaths and joining of the March. Private Barry Panui (Shorty), a remaining survivor from the Vietnam war, received an honorary salute from local Tawhio Hare.

One has to acknowledge all the efforts of whānau, hapū and iwi, RSA committees, and Whakatane District Council staff that goes into the preparation of celebrating and remembering ANZAC day. Na mihi aroha kia koutou katoa.



Tipapa Marae Waiohau Marae

Mauri ora

7.3 Member Reporting

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An opportunity for members to share with members Community Board related activities.