


Minutes – Murupara Community Board 12 May 2025

	Details of Meeting:	MURUPARA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT MURUPARA SERVICE CENTRE, 48 PINE DRIVE, MURUPARA, MONDAY, 12 MAY 2025 COMMENCING AT 10:00 AM
	Present:	Chairperson M K Honeycombe, S Jones, J Morgan-Ranui, I Prentice, M Kereopa, and Councillor N Rangiaho
	In Attendance:	Councillor Iles, Kaumātua Tupe, V Richards (Strategic Coordinator – Community Partnerships), T Chapman (Senior Māori Land Advisor), and S Duffy (Senior Governance Support Advisor)
	Apologies:	Member A Silcock

Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting and Kaumātua Tupe opened the meeting with a Karakia at 10:00 am.

1 APOLOGIES

Moved Member Prentice / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board **accept** an apology from Member Silcock.

CARRIED

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

The meeting acknowledged the passing of Tāmāti Cairns, a noted Tūhoe leader and negotiator for the Tūhoe settlement.

Chairperson Honeycombe was congratulated for achieving her master's degree in Indigenous Studies and for her professional chairing of the recent Combined Community Board.

Maramena Vercoe was farewelled recently – she held the position of Chief Executive of Te Runganga o Ngāti Manawa for over 10 years. T Chapman was acknowledged for representing the Board.

3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Chairperson Honeycombe declared a conflict of interest in the funding application from Taima Rua.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Refer to pages 8-11 of the agenda.

Moved Member Prentice / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the Murupara Community Board held on Monday, 24 March 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

Attendance: Ms Taima Rua entered the meeting at 10:07 am.

5 PUBLIC FORUM

Ms Rua had been working with Te Puna Ora o Mataatua for almost two years as an indigenous Rongoa practitioner. She explained that there was no set fee for her services, any Koha received she appreciated.

Thirty-two teams would be participating in the Massage Championship, and Ms Rua explained their team was the only one from New Zealand invited and competing. The competition would be held over 3 days however she would be away for 10 days.

When asked how the competition would be judged, Ms Rua was unsure of the criteria as this would be a new experience for her.

Members acknowledged Ms Rua for the fundraising done within the short notice and for the service that she provided.

Attendance: Ms Taima Rua left the meeting at 10:18 am.

6 REPORTS

6.1 Governance Administration – May 2025

Refer to pages 12-20 of the agenda.

Regarding the Follow-up Matters, the Strategic Coordinator – Community Partnerships reported:

- The funding received for the Eastern Bay Road Safety Programme School initiative was specifically for the school programme. There was also setup and safety considerations, and the focus of the programme was targeted at the school pupils. She advised the day was very successful, and information would be included in the Activity Report for the Boards next meeting.
- The waste received at the Murupara Centre was weight based and therefore pre-payment of fees was not practical, nor was it logistically able to be done. There had been some negotiation with Iwi regarding pre-payments.
- Members acknowledged the doctors service in Murupara.

Attendance: Chairperson Honeycombe vacated the chair and left the meeting at 10:27am.

Member Prentice took the chair.

Moved Councillor Rangiaho / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

1. THAT the Governance Administration May 2025 report be **received**; and
2. THAT the Murupara Community Board **allocate** \$1000.00 from their discretionary funds to Taima Rua to assist with costs to attend the 8th World International Massage Championship in Denmark from 27-29 June 2025.

CARRIED

Attendance:

Member Honeycombe re-entered the meeting at 10:30am and resumed the position as Chairperson.

6.2 Murupara Community Board Activity Report

Refer to pages 21-33 of the agenda.

A discussion ensued about Solid Waste and there was disappointment expressed regarding the contamination within the kerbside recycling collection. Members were advised that a recycling campaign had been carried out however it appeared it had not been successful within the Murupara communities. Wider community awareness and engagement was required and one method suggested was that information and graphics to be included within the Murupara newsletter.

Moved Member Jones / Seconded Member Kereopa

RESOLVED:

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

CARRIED

7 CHAIRPERSON AND COUNCILLOR REPORTING

7.1 Chairperson Report – May 2025

Refer to pages 34-36 of the agenda.

Member Ranui attended the Te Maruata meeting held in Taupō in April and said it was a ‘deep meeting’, attendees were from diverse backgrounds, and his key takeaway was the discussions and information regarding Māori wards. He concluded that it was a good experience.

Congratulations were reiterated to Waiōhau and Ruatāhuna for their placements in the Tūhoe Ahurei.

Moved Member Ranui / Seconded Member Jones

RESOLVED:

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

CARRIED

7.2 Councillors Report – May 2025

Refer to pages 37- 39 of agenda.

Moved Member Jones / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the MCB receive MCB Councillor Report May 2025.

CARRIED

8 Members Reporting

Refer to page 40 of agenda.

During Member Reporting the following points were noted:

- Chairperson Honeycombe would liaise with the Solid Waste Manager for potentially holding a community meeting for understanding recycling. This hui could then also encompass community concerns and feedback.
- Councillor Iles will liaise with Council staff to organise a Climate Change Risk Assessment hui at Galatea.
- Any suggestions from Members to help support for Air Chathams was encouraged.
- It was queried whether a mower could be housed at Murupara, and a local then be accountable for parks and reserves maintenance.
- There was the opportunity for the Board to be involved with beautification of the Murupara southern entrance. The Keep Whakatāne Beautiful Committee would also support this endeavour. A wider conversation was required with Council staff and the Manager Open Spaces Operations would be advised and contact Member Jones.
- Complaints had been received regarding a Murupara property with multiple water cylinders on the site and health and safety concerns were raised.
- Murupara Pool lifeguard Skyla Maher was recovering from an accident, and it was proposed that flowers be sent and best wishes from the Board for a speedy recovery.
- Dog complaints should be logged with both the Council and Te Runganga o Ngāti Manawa. Staff would cover working hours of animal control staff.
- Members were reminded to lodge service requests for footpath issues.

Moved Chairperson Honeycombe / Seconded Member Ranui

RESOLVED:

THAT the Murupara Community Board **allocate** up to \$100 from the discretionary fund for flowers and send to recent Murupara Lifeguard Skylark Maher wishing her a speedy recovery.

CARRIED

THE MEETING CLOSED WITH A KARAKIA FROM KAUMATUA TUPE AT 11:33 AM.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:
CHAIRPERSON