


## Minutes - Tāneatua Community Board 26 May 2025

	Details of Meeting:	<b>TĀNEATUA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT TĀNEATUA HALL, MORRISONS ROAD, TĀNEATUA, MONDAY, 26 MAY 2025 COMMENCING AT 6:00 PM</b>
	Present:	Deputy Chairperson T Bryant, L Ruiterman, M Tuwairua and Councillor A Iles
	In Attendance:	L Woolsey (General Manager Strategy and Growth), N Elliott (Acting Manager Community Regulations), V Richards (Strategic Coordinator), R Hamer (Community Safety Advisor) and A Dass (Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	S King and A Corkill, Councillor W James
	Apologies:	Member Stensness and Thrupp

### 1 KARAKIA

The Chairperson tendered an apology for this meeting, and the Deputy Chairperson served as Chair. For the purposes of the minutes, the Deputy Chairperson will be referred to as the Chairperson.

The Chairperson opened the meeting with a karakia at 6:00 pm.

### 2 APOLOGIES

Moved Councillor Iles / Seconded Member Tuwairua

#### RESOLVED:

THAT the Tāneatua Community Board **accept** the apologies from Member Thrupp and Stensness.

#### CARRIED

### 3 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board noted the successful book launch event for History of Wainui and Wangarara Valley compiled by Lorna Aikman. The publication was supported by Council through the Community Matching Fund programme. The launch event was held at Basil Simpson's old residence with approximately 70-80 attendees.

### 4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Chairperson Bryant and Member Tuwairua declared conflicts of interest regarding the funding application to be discussed later in the meeting.

### 5 PUBLIC FORUM

### **5.1 New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi - Sandra King and Andrew Corkill**

Representatives from New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi provided a presentation on the Pekatahi Bridge. The presentation covered the bridge's structural issues and outlined the planned repair approach. Key points discussed included:

- Construction work was planned to commence during school holidays to minimise disruption.
- Full road closure would be required during repairs, necessitating traffic diversions.
- Design work was underway utilising plywood panel methodology.
- Current budget allocation represented only 11% of the estimated deck replacement costs.
- Full repair costs were estimated at approximately \$7 million.
- The rail bridge component was assessed as structurally sound.
- Central government funding constraints were impacting project timeline.
- The Regional Transport Committee and community advocacy would be crucial for securing additional funding.

The presentation emphasised the bridge's critical importance as a key transport connection for the Bay of Plenty region and detailed the ongoing maintenance challenges. Representatives discussed the current deck replacement project status and highlighted significant funding shortfalls. The presentation noted that reprioritisation was being reviewed for potential inclusion within the 2024-27 National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) period. Until funding confirmation was secured, the bridge would continue operating as a single lane with ongoing maintenance requirements.

**Attendance:** S King and A Corkill left the meeting at 6:41 pm.

### **5.2 Whākatane District Council - Vicky Richards and Richard Hamer**

Council representatives provided an update on community planning initiatives and the community engagement programme. The presentation outlined a staged approach for collecting community data and enhancing engagement through organised events. Staff discussed strategies for raising awareness of specific locations within the community and requested the Board's assistance in supporting these initiatives.

**Attendance:** V Richards and R Hamer left the meeting at 6:58 pm.

### **5.3 Find Your Fish Movement - Talei Bryant**

Talei Bryant presented information about the holiday programme being operated by the Find Your Fish Movement. The programme focused on teaching valuable life skills including cooking and sporting activities to young people in the community.

## **6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Refer to pages 18-12 of the agenda.

Moved Councillor Iles / Seconded Member Bryant

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the minutes of the Tāneatua Community Board meeting for Monday, 7 April 2025 be **confirmed** as true and correct record.

**CARRIED**

## **7 REPORTS**

### **7.1 Tāneatua Community Board – Activity Report**

Refers to pages 22-36 of the agenda.

Moved Member Tuairua / Seconded Councillor Iles

#### **RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the Tāneatua Community Board – Activity Report May 2025 be **received**.

#### **CARRIED**

### **7.2 Governance Administration – May 2025**

Refer to pages 37-48 of the agenda.

Member Tuwairua declared a conflict of interest for the discussion of the next item and did not take part in the discussion or decision-making.

The Chairperson declared a conflict of interest and temporarily vacated the chair for the next item. Councillor Iles assumed the chair for this item.

Moved Councillor Iles / Seconded Member Ruiterman

#### **RESOLVED:**

1. **THAT** the Governance Administration May 2025 report be **received**; and
2. **THAT** the Tāneatua Community Board considers **allocating** \$1,000.00 from their discretionary funds to Find Your Fish Movement to assist with costs associated with delivering activities for the Waimana Holiday Program on 30 September to 3 October 2025.

#### **CARRIED**

Member Bryant resumed the chair.

## **8 MEMBERS REPORT**

### **8.1 TCB Chairperson May 2025**

Refer to pages 49-50 of the agenda.

Discussion took place regarding the Tāneatua Cemetery, with an update provided on current matters. It was noted that further information would be provided at future meeting.

Moved Councillors Iles / Seconded Member Ruiterman

#### **RESOLVED:**

**THAT** the Tāneatua Community Board Chairpersons Report – May 2025 be **received**.

#### **CARRIED**

The meeting closed with a karakia from the Chair at 7:18 pm.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:
CHAIRPERSON