


Minutes - Rangitāiki Community Board 4 February 2026

 <p>WHAKATĀNE District Council <i>Kia Whakatāne au i ahau</i></p>	Details of Meeting:	RANGITĀIKI COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE LIONS READING ROOM, EDGE CUMBE LIBRARY, COLLEGE ROAD, EDGE CUMBE ON WEDNESDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2026 COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM
	Present:	Mayor N Tánczos, Members S Bonner (Chairperson), S McHardy, H Brown, B Clark, B Evans, S Hale and Councillor G Dennis and W James as Alternate Councillor
	In Attendance:	S Perdia (Chief Executive), E Hatch (General Manager People and Partnerships), F Begley (Manager Community Partnerships) and A Dass (Governance Support Advisor)
	Visitors:	Councillor O'Brien and S Van Der Boom (Regional Councillor)
	Apologies:	

1 MEETING OPENING

Mayor Tánczos provided a Karakia at 5:30 pm.

The Chairperson opened the meeting with a moment of silence in acknowledgment of the lives lost in the recent weather event in Tauranga.

Attendance: The Chief Executive entered the meeting at 5:32 pm.

2 Declaration

Mayor Tánczos invited Member Brown to make introductory remarks and complete his declaration.

3 APOLOGIES

Nil.

4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / TRIBUTES

The Chairperson acknowledged the Mayor Nandor Tánczos, Chief Executive Steven Perdia and Regional Councillor Sarah van der Boom for their attendance at the meeting.

Members also acknowledged the passing of Garry Bryson on 8 January and Ian Watson on 28 January.

Attendance: Councillor O'Brien entered the meeting at 5:36 pm.

5 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report

Refer to pages 9-18 of the agenda.

The Manager of Community Partnerships presented the report and highlighted the following points:

- Youth Council applications had been opened, with a closed date set for 20 February 2026.
- Major seasonal roadworks had been largely completed, while repairs to the Rewatu Road underslip were ongoing and expected to continue until May 2026.
- Members had discussed the access improvements completed at the Edgecumbe Thornton walkway. It was noted that there was loose metal present on the walkway which required attention.
- Staff who had been involved in the Civil Defence response during the recent weather event were acknowledged for their efforts.
- Fatigue stops had been recognised as being well received by the community.
- Watermain renewals were underway in Edgecumbe and Matatā, with staged completion scheduled through to June 2026.

Moved Councillor Dennis / Seconded Member Hale

RESOLVED:

THAT the Rangitāiki Community Board – Activity Report for February 2026 be **received**.

CARRIED

7.2 Governance Services Report

Refer to pages 19-22 of the agenda.

The Governance Support Advisor presented the report and highlighted the following points:

- Members were reminded of the importance of completing their pecuniary interest forms, as failure to do so could result in fines.
- The Board noted the migration to SmartyGrants and acknowledged that members could contact the Governance Team should they encounter any issues with their accounts.
- It was further noted that a workshop would be held to complete the strategic plan, with support provided by the Strategic Coordinator – Community Partnerships.

Moved Councillor Dennis / Seconded Member Evans

RESOLVED:

THAT the Governance Services Report February 2026 be **received**.

CARRIED

5 Chairperson and Councillor Reports

5.1 RCB Chairperson Report – February 2026

Refer to pages 23-26 of the agenda.

The Chairperson presented the report.

Moved Member Evans / Seconded Member Clark

RESOLVED:

THAT the RCB Chairperson's Report – February 2026 be **received**.

CARRIED

The meeting closed with a Karakia led by Mayor Tánczos at 5:57 pm.

Confirmed at the meeting dated:
CHAIRPERSON