



## Te Kārearea Agenda

**Date:** Wednesday, 16 May, 2018  
**Time:** 9:00 am  
**Location:** Council Chamber  
Forum North, Rust Avenue  
Whangarei  
**Attendees:** Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai  
(Co-Chairperson)  
Taipari Munro (Acting Co-Chairperson)  
Cr Crichton Christie  
Cr Vince Cocurullo  
Cr Tricia Cutforth  
Cr Sue Glen  
Cr Greg Innes  
Cr Sharon Morgan  
Cr Anna Murphy  
Allan Halliday  
Deborah Harding  
Merepeka Henley  
Violet Sade  
Takiri Puriri  
Delaraine Armstrong

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# Te Kārearea



## Te Pae Tawhiti/Vision:

“He Whenua Rangatira”

“Whangārei, a district of prosperity, wellbeing and empowered communities”

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## Te Kaupapa/Mission:

“Ka tūtuki te Kāwanatanga ā-rohe, ka puāwai hoki te kotahitanga me ōna tini kaupapa”

“Local Government that works through effective partnership and provides practical solutions”

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## Ngā Tikanga/Principles:

- He kitenga mutunga kore, mahi tahi, mahi pono – Strategic partnership working collaboratively and in good faith
  - Kia Māia – Providing leadership through courage
  - Te Manawatōpu – Of one heart and mind. We are stronger working together
  - Anga mua – Progressive and proactive
  - Me kōrero tika, tau noa ngā take – Open and frank mutually agreed outcomes
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## Te Kārearea Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, 18 April, 2018  
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 Forum North, Rust Avenue  
 Whangārei

<b>In Attendance</b>	<b>Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Co-Chairperson)</b> <b>Julian Reweti (Acting Co-Chairperson)</b> <b>Cr Tricia Cutforth</b> <b>Cr Greg Innes</b> <b>Cr Sharon Morgan</b> <b>Cr Anna Murphy</b> <b>Allan Halliday</b> <b>Merepeka Henley</b> <b>Violet Sade</b>
<b>Not in Attendance</b>	<b>Delaraine Armstrong</b> <b>Cr Crichton Christie</b> <b>Cr Vince Cocurullo</b> <b>Cr Sue Glen</b> <b>Deborah Harding</b> <b>Takiri Puriri</b> <b>Taipari Munro</b>

**Scribe:** Jennie Thomas (Democracy Adviser)

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Also in attendance: Janelle Beazley, Rob Forlong (Chief Executive), Jill McPherson (General Manager Strategy & Democracy) Aperahama Edwards (Manager, Māori Relationships), Andre Hemara (Māori Engagement Officer), Simon Weston (General Manager Infrastructure), Tim Conn (Manager Communications), Tristan Tuckey (Consultant – Big Fish), Debbie Taylor (EA to General Manager Community and Strategy & Democracy), Jared Pitman and Waimarie Kingi.

### 1. Open Meeting

Her Worship the Mayor opened the meeting and welcomed Jared Pitman as an observer to the meeting. Gratitude was expressed for Jared's service given as Co-Chairperson of Te Kārearea and Her Worship the Mayor expressed best wishes on behalf of Te Kārearea for this future. She welcomed Julian Reweti as Co-Chair for the meeting.

## **2. Karakia/Mihi**

Opening Karakia – Aperahama Edwards  
Mihi – Julian Reweti

## **3. Apologies**

Councillors Vince Cocurullo, Crichton Christie and Sue Glen.  
Joanne Midwood, Takiri Puriri and Taipari Munro.

The apologies were accepted by consensus.

## **4. Introductions (Whakawhanaungatanga) – Introductions and pepeha were given by attendees.**

## **5. Previous Minutes**

### **5.1 Minutes Te Kārearea Meeting 21 March 2018**

**Moved by** Cr Sharon Morgan

**Seconded by** Janelle Beazley

That the minutes of the Te Kārearea meeting held on 21 March 2018, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting subject to the following amendment:

Janelle Beazley being noted as in attendance at the 21 March 2018 meeting.

**Carried**

## **6. Reports:**

### **6.1 Hapū Mandating Update April 2018**

Julian Reweti has been confirmed as a member for Te Orewai hapū of Ngati Hine. Delaraine Armstrong advised there were not many in attendance at yesterday's (17 April) Te Huinga meeting. They are still awaiting confirmation from Whangaruru regarding mandated representatives. Unfortunately, unable to progress this further until there is a more complete hui.

There was discussion on the hapū representation mandate and allowing two representatives from each hapū.

Her Worship the Mayor advised there was a parallel to how Council representation worked. There are certain Committees run with specific Councillors but other elected members were welcome to attend. Councillors are elected in their wards but are speaking for the whole district not just the ward.

## **6.2 Treaty of Waitangi Settlements Progress from Hapū - April 2018**

Janelle provided the meeting with a copy of the report to Tuhoronuku on the meeting with Minister Little. Delaraine Armstrong advised that the report presented was only part of the perspective. Hui are ongoing and a full report will be coming out very soon. The Kotahitanga position still needed to be reported. A full update will be able to be provided when decisions have been made.

## **6.3 Action Log - April 2018**

Jill McPherson provided a verbal update of the Action Log.

She advised the Crown has purchased the rights of the water bottling at Poroti Springs.

The GBC Winstones hearing is being heard by a Resource Consents Commissioner at the present time.

Jill advised that the Revenue Manager, Alison Puchaux, is happy to meet any hapū on request regarding rates and this includes discussing arrears. To organise a hui regarding rates, please coordinate with Andre Hemara. It was advised that the rating structure is part of Long Term Plan (LTP) consultation being undertaken at present. Any discussion regarding rates needs to be tempered with the uncertainty of what is adopted in June. There is a process being undertaken to develop a package of information regarding rates. This is in an early draft form and will not be finalised until after the LTP is finalised.

Delaraine Armstrong noted a situation regarding previous trustees to a trust with rates arrears. These trustees worked with a Council staff member to have the debt forgiven. The new trustees have now been advised the staff member was not authorised to have that discussion.

Merepeka Henley discussed coastal rates and how kaumatua brought a case to Council to review coastal rates for the elderly. There have been hui since 2010 to look at changing the rating structure. Merepeka noted these kaumatua are all gone now but there was hope for improvements for future generations.

Jill advised that it had been requested to reopen the environmental hub request at the fernery. An item has gone to the Infrastructure Committee where a decision was supported to upgrade the nursery facilities at the back of fernery. The nursery supports ecological restoration.

Andre is updating the contact list for Marae. Janelle is working with Andre to update this list. There was a request to provide paper copies of items. Postal addresses would be helpful for dropping material off to. The internet connection is not always good in some regions and cannot be relied on for communication.

## 6.4 Whangārei District Council Branding

Tim Conn advised that he would lead the presentation on the Council Brand Elevation and provide background to the project and that he was seeking input from Te Kārearea. Council has recognised this as an opportunity to leverage positivity and optimism in the district.

Tim advised there was a wish to elevate the Council brand and put things in context. We need to respect the past, understand the now and look to and prepare for the future. Tim advised that elected members challenged them on a name change and asked us to talk to the people of the district. When we asked the people, we heard that they love Council events but most people can't recall a positive brand association with Council. 70% of people surveyed said that the thing they love the most about the District is the outdoors and beach lifestyle. During the engagement process they met and talked to Taipari Munro, Aperahama Edwards and Te Warihi Heteraka.

During the process, there was a realisation that Council's brand reputation is a mixed bag but the negativity was mainly in the past. We as a district are maturing – we have values. A brand is more than a logo. It is our personality and what we stand for. Our brand speaks to the hearts and minds of our community and custodians of this place. We are respectful of the environment and love this place. We are the Whangārei District Council and in effect we are the brand.

Tristan Tuckey continued with the presentation and discussed how to elevate the Whangārei District Council brand. He advised that the first stages of mainly research has been completed.

Part of the research came up with three examples of councils who dropped the word 'Council' from their brand. If we drop the word 'Council' from our brand we will be making more of an association with the origins of our place. We can develop a modern inclusive brand that tells our story. We carry on doing the good work with the positivity more aligned to the district rather than the Council.

At present, we have a stable of 40 odd brands with little or no relationship with each other. Our well-loved events have no clear association with Whangārei District Council.

Rebranding would be a transitional process. Rather than replacing all signage, brochures etc, rebranding would occur as and when it needs replacing. Our legal entity would still be Whangārei District Council.

An appropriate Māori interpretation for Whangārei District was researched. Whangārei Takiwā is the yet to be confirmed interpretation. Tristan asked for input on the three different themes developed which included:

- The Poor Knights Lily which is unique to our area.



- Mount Manaia the main ancestral mountain for the tribes in the Whangārei area.
- The Twin Birds – Reitu and Reipae the twin sisters from the Waikato whose lives intertwined with the story of Whangārei. Te Tauwhanga-a-Reipae = The Place where Reipae married Tahūhūpotiki.

Some of the difficulties of the design process came from the form of Manaia which is difficult to translate to a form that could be used. The appropriateness of this for certain branding was also an issue raised.

The favoured option of the Twin Birds (Twin Sisters) is a story becoming better known in the district. Tristan advised that this option is not finished or confirmed but it is the leading form from a favourite theme. He advised it was interesting to note that Te Warihi and Taipari saw different things in the twin bird form. They also saw two whale forms which has significance as the meeting place and maunga as well. Either by design or happy accident different people see different things.

The colour theme that Council has explored further is reflective of our physical environment. The colour palette comes from the bush, the coast and our rural landscape. It provides a lot more diversity than what we have had in the past and provides a more reflective element.

Any Council communication will have the specific teams from Council added. This assists with bringing the human element to the fore but communications will always display the parent brand. The new theme of colours from nature will bring an affinity to the Whangārei District brand.

Feedback from the meeting included:

Members liked the branding and pristine colours. They thought the colours gave an association to clean and green, also Papatuanuku and Tangaroa.

Members were asked what they felt about dropping 'Council' from branding and whether it felt like a loss of ownership. Feedback received included "I get a district feeling..." "It feels more inclusive..." "Makes the district not just the Council more responsible. We may not be elected members but we all have a part to play."

Other comments included that it would be good to see more inland projects on posters promoting the district e.g. tuna projects. That we should look at the positives. We can focus on all of us being the district and how we then lift our district. We are not separate parts we and Council are working towards that positive lift.

It was stated that leaving 'Council' out of branding and using Whangārei District indicates it is not just exclusive to Council. You are going to empower everyone - Arohatia is empowering. The word Council does not empower. It takes out the bureaucracy of council - it is softer.

The entity will always be Whangārei District Council and the Council subtlety there.

The meeting was advised that the rebranding was still a work in progress but it was great to hear the positive feedback.

## **6.5 Infrastructure Operations Update - April 2018**

Simon Weston, General Manager, Infrastructure ran through the presentation on the Infrastructure Operations update:

- There were heavy rainfall events between 8-15 February.
- Waste and Drainage – The Hatea pumping station has a treatment system which enables, when there are heavy rainfall events, for treatment to take place at the Hatea station rather than pumping to the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWPT). Two UV reactors treat flows above 1000 cubic metres and this can then be pumped back into the Hatea River. A similar treatment system is being built at Tarewa.
- Matapouri beach replenishment – this project has recently been peer reviewed. The peer reviewers had a different view on the design of this project. The difference in design is being worked through presently. Community consultation is planned for later in the year.
- Seawall renewals to commence soon for Taurikura, Princes Road Ruakaka and Ritchie Road, Parua Bay.
- Some construction work has already begun on Ngunguru seawall renewal stage.
- Stage two is working with the local community and Landscape Architect Simon Cocker on how best to do coastal protection work.
- Hikurangi Hardcourt - finished but lights need to be installed.
- Ruakaka Sports Park – there is an intention to construct two new fields. Removal of the sand ridge and vegetation will be part of the project. Construction cost is approximately \$1.3m. There were no expressions of interest during the tendering process to remove the sand so will have to go back out to tender.
- Parks and Recreation tracks – A kauri dieback disease hygiene station has been established at AH Reed.
- The Maunu Cemetery has been awarded the Green Flag Award, only one of two awarded in New Zealand. In the last 2-3 years, there has been a focus on projects improving the way the cemetery looks.
- Hayden Parr, Senior Cemetery Operator, has received an individual excellence award for innovation at the Cemeteries National Convention.
- New playgrounds have been built at Amber Place and one at Ruakaka. The Parks department work with local schools on designs for the playgrounds. They research with suppliers what can be provided for a set amount of dollars then go to the relevant schools and get the pupils to use a voting system. The playground is constructed around this result. Themes are common in relation to the age profile of the school.

- Water Services - Whau Valley Water Treatment Plant. Pine removal around the Whau Valley dam has commenced.
- Pavement rehabilitation – chip sealed 100km of road. Seal extensions at Wright Road have been completed. Bridge repairs have been undertaken at Doctor's Hill Road. Timber decks are systematically being replaced on all bridges.
- LED street light conversion is underway across the whole district. There will be some carry forward into the next financial year due to the supply of the bulbs.
- Walking and cycling projects underway in Kamo – Kamo Cycleway.
- Fatigue stops – 4 stops on SH1, 287 drivers took advantage of these stops for a break in their trip.

There was a query on how long the coastal protection work being undertaken would last. Simon advised that the expectation for the hard structures would be at least 50 years. The soft structures are more problematic. They can last up to 10-12 years or a bad storm can decimate them quickly. In Matapouri sand from the estuary was relocated and planted approximately 12 years ago, the soft structures need to be replenished. Local communities tend to prefer the softer options but this requires more maintenance. There are discussions around the merits of a mix of soft and hard structures.

There was a query regarding the extreme weather events we are experiencing and whether the Matapouri beach replenishment project, if it included soft structures, was a realistic option and would the maintenance be too high. Simon advised that when the coastal specialists have come to a final agreement he would bring this solution back to discuss the merits and challenges of both.

Allan Halliday discussed the Hikurangi swamp flood management scheme and the wish to work with all stakeholders to improve the pump and sediment issues. He spoke of how sediment going into water ways kills water life and advised he believed a consent should be required for digger work cleaning the drains.

Nga Kaitiaki o Nga Wai Māori have suggested an invitation to key stakeholders for a hui to bring people along with the relevant expertise to collectively submit to the Provincial Growth Fund. Stakeholders include Living Waters\Fonterra, NRC/FIF Wairoa Project, WDC, farmers, Reconnecting Northland and Northpower. Andrew Carvell has offered to provide the venue.

Allan queried how we would overcome the issues caused by the pumps and sediment. He spoke of the need to eliminate the loss of eels to pumps during flood events.

Simon advised that various options to reduce tuna deaths had been trialled including electrical barriers on the pumps which were not successful. The solution may require replacing pumps with fish friendly Archimedes type pumps which would cost millions of dollars. Simon later checked the pump replacement programme and

advised that the first replacement with an Archimedes style pump was scheduled for 2027 with a 30-year full replacement time frame.

Allan noted that where fish friendly pumps had been installed in the Waikato, there were reports that eels were surviving the pumps but still being bruised. Simon expressed an interest in this information and advised that this needed to be explored further.

Her Worship the Mayor advised that the Hikurangi Flood Scheme is a ring funded scheme paid for by the scheme beneficiaries. She advised that a project to replace existing pumps with tuna friendly pumps could be an employment and economic benefit opportunity for the district. This project may be of interest to Minister Shane Jones for the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF). Jill McPherson made note of the suggestion and advice to link this possible project to future economic and environmental benefits.

There was agreement that an outcome is what leads to solutions. A strong integrated approach is needed.

## **7. General Business**

Cr Innes noted the planning award received for Best Proactive Non-Statutory Planning for the Papakainga Toolkit. He acknowledged Jared Pitman's and David Badham's contribution to the process. He noted that this is one step in a journey. He related the work completed on the Papakainga Toolkit to previous discussion on empowerment and being a step towards removing some of the bureaucracy out of the process. Cr Innes spoke of the Papakainga pilot scheme that some of the elected members visited at Mangakahia. He stated that the award is an acknowledgement from peers but we would only be as successful as the results it helped to produce.

Delaraine Armstrong noted that at yesterday's Te Huinga meeting it was agreed to bring to this forum, a proposal to allow members the ability to be more effective in the role of working with Council. The proposal will seek for control of a budget to assist with this. Delaraine was advised to email the proposal to Jill McPherson.

There will be North Island Climate Change Conference in June.

## **8. Closure of Meeting – Karakia - Julian Reweti**

Meeting closed at 11.13am.

## 6.1 Hapū Mandating Update May 2018

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum  
**Date of meeting:** 16 May 2018  
**Reporting officer:** Jill McPherson (General Manager Strategy and Democracy)

### 1 Purpose

A verbal update provided by hapū representatives to the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum

### 2 Recommendation

That the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum note the verbal update of hapū representatives on the mandate progress.



## 6.2 Treaty of Waitangi Settlements Progress from Hapū – May 2018

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum  
**Date of meeting:** 16 May 2018  
**Reporting officer:** Jill McPherson (General Manager Strategy and Democracy)

### 1 Purpose

A verbal update on Treaty of Waitangi Settlements will be provided by hapū representatives to Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum.

### 2 Recommendation

That the Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum note the verbal update of the Treaty of Waitangi Settlements progress from hapū representatives.





## 6.3 Action Log – May 2018

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum  
**Date of meeting:** 16 May 2018  
**Reporting officer:** Jill McPherson (General Manager Strategy and Democracy)

### 1 Purpose

To brief Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum on the actions undertaken by Council for queries raised at previous meetings as outlined in the attached Action Log.

### 2 Recommendation

That Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum note the attached Action Log.

### 3 Background

Queries from previous Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum meetings are added to the Action Log with Council updating actions.

### 4 Attachments

Action Log



# ACTION LOG

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
1.	Rating	March 2018	Maori Land and Rating arrears. Council to look at working with marae to help people understand and feel comfortable with talking to council about rating and rating arrears. Explain the Rates Remission Policy. Request to put this on the agenda for discussion in further meetings. Hapu asked to invite Council to talk at their respective Marae when it suits their schedules.	In progress
2.	Environmental hub at the Fernery	15 June 2017	A scoping report, including cost estimates, has been requested by Te Huinga.	Closed
		Response	Council has determined not to proceed with this initiative at this time.	
		Update March 2018	Request from Allan Halliday for Council to relook at this. Allan to also submit through the LTP process.	Reopened
		Update April 2018	While there is no progress on the Environmental Hub Project the He Kakano Community Nursery upgrade project is proposed for nursery facilities at the rear of the building.	
3.	Correspondence to Marae	March 2018	Request for all marae to receive copies of any important information from Council. Need to update data base of marae contacts. Andre and Janelle working on updating information.	In progress
4.	Marae resource kits	March 2018	Request for Marae resource kits of important documents e.g. LTP, Rating Policies, Fees and Charges, Urban design etc. Working on what documents would be of interest.	In progress
5.	Pipiwai/Puketitoea Road Junction	March 2018	Slump in road at Pipiwai Junction of Puketitoea Road. Road had been marked but no work to fix.	Completed
		Update/Response:	Work will be completed in the next few weeks. 7/5/2018 update – Contractor advised work completed. WDC Roding Inspector will be going out to take photos and ensure work is completed.	
6.	Henare Road	March 2018	The continuous rain we have had lately has damaged Road on numerous occasions. There are no drains or culverts until you get to the lowest point of the Road. Water overflow scours both sides of the road and causes potholes and corrugations.	Completed

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			When is road maintenance programmed?	
		<b>Update/ Response:</b>	Our Northern Roding Inspector has advised that there are works programed for Henare Road for within the next few weeks weather dependant. 7/5/2018 update – Contractor advised work completed. WDC Roding Inspector will be going out to take photos and ensure work is completed.	
7.	<b>Issues of pedestrian safety in Tikipunga</b>	<b>November 2017</b>	Pedestrian safety at the new subdivision, close/behind to Totara Primary School. Questions were raised about the safety (for school children) of the new subdivision roading designs.	<b>Pending</b>
		<b>Update/ Response:</b>	Issues like this are dealt with at the time of consent – approximately seven years ago. We are aware of one reported incident on Wairau Drive, this involved a near miss of a child. We are monitoring the zebra crossing on Corks Road to see if this be moved away from the roundabout.	
8.	<b>Blue Goose Entranceway</b>	<b>20 September 2017</b>	Future developments for the Blue Goose entranceway, potentially could host a cultural precinct which may include a marae for Otaika.	<b>On hold. Will be considered as part of the Long Term Plan 2018 submission request.</b>
		<b>Response November 2017 (no change)</b>	The treatment of this entranceway is being considered as a new item for the Long Term Plan 2018.	
9.	<b>Sealing Rural Roads</b>	<b>19 July 2017</b>	<b>Requests to seal rural roads:</b> All of Wrights Road (partial seal is a project for 17/18 year). Forestry routes. Dust/mud on roads that are school bus routes. Henare Road – access to urupa and marae. This road is unsafe after big rains.  A prioritised list of roads to be sealed and dedicated annual budget for LTP was requested.	<b>On hold. Will be considered as part of the Long Term Plan 2018.</b>
		<b>20 September 2017</b>	Request to seal Ngunguru Ford Rd was made.  Further seal extensions and how they are prioritised will be considered as part of the Long Term Plan 2018	
		<b>Response: November 2017 (no change)</b>	Council is intending to repair 3 short sections of Kokopu Rd as the pavement in these locations has failed. These will be completed in the next few weeks. These are ongoing maintenance work required for all roads to keep the travelling public safe. These works do not include the sections of	

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
			<p>road with the various tight corners which are before the first section of the proposed works, as the pavement through these sections are ok.</p> <p>The logging companies previously investigated the potential use of Kokopu Rd for returning empty logging trucks because the narrow windy nature of this made this route unsafe as the trucks couldn't traverse the corners without crossing the centreline.</p> <p>Council has allocated \$1.3M to the sealing of an additional 2.5km of Wright and McCardle Rds this summer and tenders for the work close in early November. Therefore, we assume works will commence on the road later in November.</p> <p>Funding for the maintenance of Kokopu Rd and the funding for the seal extension works on Wright Rd come from different funding sources within NZTA and their funding rules do not allow the two activities to be mixed.</p> <p>Council is about to commence the agreed dust suppression programme of works on the District's unsealed logging routes in November.</p> <p>Further seal extensions and how they are prioritised will be considered as part of the Long Term Plan 2018</p>	
10.	Maori Participation in elections	4 August 2017	Desire expressed to encourage more Maori Candidates and more Maori voting.	Pending
		Response November 2017	This is a matter for the next local government elections to be held in 2019.	
11.	Focus on Youth (Joint initiative)	19 April 2017	Clarification has been requested on what this action means.	Pending
		20 September 2017	Hapu have requested that Council develop some ideas for this initiative.	
		Response November 2017 (no change)	Council will do so and report back to Te Karearea.	

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		<b>Response: February 2018</b>	This arose from a joint Council/Te Huinga workshop soon after the elections. No action to date. Ideas also required from Te Huinga.	
12.	<b>Rates Structure Review</b>	<b>19 April 2017</b>	In April 2017 Council provided Te Karearea with an overview of the Rating Structure review and agreed to discuss the rating of Maori land as a separate process from the wider engagement process. It was also agreed that Schedule 11 of the Rating Act would be a specific focus of that discussion. A suitable forum for this will be arranged in the near future.	<b>Consultation now Complete</b>
		<b>Several</b>	Interest in a workshop on schedule 11 was repeated.	
		<b>20 September</b>	Te Huinga invited staff to attend a Te Huinga meeting to have a workshop on the Rating Policy. Also a report to Te Karearea was requested.	
		<b>Response: February 2018</b>	The preferred rating policy will be included in the Consultation Document for the Long Term 2018-28 that will be provided to the members at this meeting.	
13.	<b>Rates arrears</b>	<b>24 May 2017</b>	Treatment for Maori land will form part of broader Council rating review.	
14.	<b>Winstones Quarry</b>	<b>May - August 2017</b>	<p><b>Winstone Quarry Development – there is concern about placing the overburden onto the Pegram land.</b></p> <p>GBC Winstones resource consent application for overburden (LU1700100) has been received. The application includes an assessment of effects on the limestone outcrop (Tonkin &amp; Taylor, Preliminary Overburden Disposal Area). There is only a small area of this on the site with the vast majority located to the north-west of the disposal area.</p> <p>The report concludes that there is a low to negligible risk of void collapse due to limited area underlain by limestone and the expected limited thickness of limestone in the area.</p> <p>The Hapu disagree, and have continued to express their concern at each meeting.</p>	<b>Under Action Now with Hearings Commissioner</b>

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
		<b>Response November 2017 (no update available)</b>	<p>Update: Winstones have requested that the application be put on hold (suspended).</p> <p>Previous meetings: At the request of the CE, Murray McDonald asked CBC Winstones if they would specifically consult with Taipari Munro. They responded as follows:</p> <p><i>As described in our resource consent application, we have an on-going, working relationship with the Ruarangi Trustees, of which Marina Fletcher is our primary point of contact.</i></p> <p><i>Marina is in the final stages of preparing a Cultural Impact Assessment, which addresses the Pegram block proposal, among other matters. It is the preference of both parties to continue working together as we have done so, to date.</i></p> <p>The application was publicly notified on 12 July 2017 so parties were able to make submissions on the proposal. An independent commissioner with Tikanga Maori has been appointed to the Panel to hear submissions.</p>	
19.	<b>Having a voice in RMA matters amendment to Act</b>	<b>19 July 2017</b>	Hapu expressed ongoing concern about input into RMA matters. They agreed Maori Planning Commissioners could address some of these concerns.	<b>Pending</b>
		<b>Response November 2017</b>	WDC has asked for nominations from Te Huinga for possible Independent Planning Commissioners. Two names have been received. Council is also considering a request for a Mana Whakahono a Rohe from Patuharakeke.	
		<b>Response February 2018</b>	Council has received nominations for Commissioner training from Te Huinga. These people will be registered for the training during 2018.	
CLOSED/COMPLETED				

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
	<b>Registering Waahi Tapu (and other sites of significance to Maori)</b>	<b>20 September 2017</b>	There was general concern expressed regarding Sites of Significance register including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Is there funding for Hapu?</li> <li>- The funding that was provided to Ngati Hau – how was it spent?</li> <li>- What protection does recording a site give?</li> </ul>	<b>Closed – to be reported regularly to Te Karearea.</b>
		<b>Response November 2017</b>	Information that has been received has been reviewed. it is now considered that 75% is collected. This is no longer an active plan change while awaiting further information.  There is no additional Council funding for this at this time. Council initially funded this through Repo Consultancy. This funding was to cover costs to the Hapu and the consultant. It has all been spent without the full information being passed to Council from Hapu. The planned Sites of Significance Plan Change is reliant on this information so a new solution will be required. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The total amount paid to the contractor was \$172,250 +GST. The contractor has detailed within invoices to Council payments to hapu including Te Parawhau. Council has no evidence of what happened to the 'hapu' payments.</li> <li>• Mapping information has been received from Ngati Kahu, Ngati Hau, Te Waiariki, Patuharakeke, half information from Ngati Wai and Ngati Hine and no data from Te Parawhau.</li> <li>• The contract required the consultant to obtain data from all of the above hapu plus Ngati Korora and Ngati Taka Pari.</li> </ul> Information is held by Council in three ways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Confidentially ("black" sites restricted to two staff with authority)</li> <li>- Open</li> <li>- Council-only.</li> </ul> When an application is received for a consent that has a site on the land involved, the applicant is required to discuss the development with the relevant Hapu.	
		<b>Update:</b>	Two reports are included on this agenda. One chronicles the history of the project, and the second recommends a way forward.	
			Way forward agreed	
	<b>Pipiwai Road works.</b>	<b>March 2018</b>	A complaint to Roding re overflow of water from Pipiwai Road (near the FNDC end of Pipiwai Rd) directed onto whenua (land). There had been no consent given for this discharge to occur.	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Update/ Response:</b>	Team have assessed the work and discussed it with the Roding Manager. Work carried out at this site by our contractors has not changed the direction of the stormwater runoff. WDC contractors have only cleared vegetation from existing water tables. If residents want to send all stormwater into one catchment, then Roding will require written permission from the land owner concerned.	



	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
			Other residents of this area have also approached council and we advised that the only work our contractors have done here is clear vegetation from existing water tables. There are no programmes in place to alter any existing stormwater drains for this area.	
	<b>Hihiaua Cultural Centre</b>	<b>19 April 2017</b>	Support was expressed for the Cultural centre and support for Council to contribute to it financially.	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response November 2017 (no change)</b>	Council has committed \$500,000 to the Hihiaua Cultural Centre. It will be available to them when certain milestones are achieved. Fundraising has started and a \$675,000 grant has been secured for Stage 1 to proceed in the near future.	
		<b>Response April 2018</b>	The Crown (Provisional Growth Fund) has contributed a further \$1M Construction due to start this year.	
	<b>Pipiwai/Riponui Road</b>	<b>March 2018</b>	A slump/slip in the road had occurred. There had been a temporary fix with road markings and filling of slump area with hotmix but that this was only a temporary solution and a permanent solution needed to be found.	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Update/ Response:</b>	Work has been completed.	
	<b>Temperature of Pool at Aquatics Centre</b>	<b>20 September 2017</b>	It was noted that the temperature of the large swimming pool is too cold for comfortable swimming.	<b>Closed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	CLM (pool operators) have reported that they had a problem with two of the four boilers. This resulted in lower temperature in the pools for a period. They have now been repaired.	
	<b>Youth Advisory Council</b>	<b>20 September 2017</b>	Is there cultural supports for Maori youth on the advisory group? The young Maori advocates are strong leaders and thrive in their Maori upbringing and would like to feel safe to express their values in this forum.	<b>Closed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	The Maori Relationships Officer is available to the Forum, and attends as required, and if known to the members. He will ensure Maori members are safe to express their culture.	

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
	Porowini Terenga Paraoa Marae – Traffic Impact Report	May-August 2017	<p><b>Three lanes on Tarewa Road cause an issue for the entrance. What can be improved in future?</b></p> <p>It was noted that the three lanes on Tarewa Road have caused an issue for the entranceway. Request was that the committee would like to see the Traffic Impact Report for this and what can be improved in the future.</p> <p>The Marae has a vehicle crossing on Tarewa Rd. There are 3 traffic lanes northbound in this location directly outside the vehicle crossing. Historically, there has been 2 lanes northbound in this location.</p> <p>In 2012 the right turn bay was added by taking land and widening the road on the opposite side of the road. Apart from this widening, all other works were undertaken within the road reserve. No resource consent was required and therefore no Traffic Impact Report was completed and was not a requirement.</p>	Closed
			Porowini Terenga Paraoa Marae entrance – a marked “KEEP CLEAR” on Tarewa Road was discussed as an option to provide safer entrance to the Marae. Traffic engineers declined this request. It was asked that WDC re-consider this.	
		Response	WDC Traffic Engineers have stated again that a “KEEP CLEAR” area will not be possible. This is because of the nearness of the vehicle entrance to the traffic lights and that it is double-laned.	
	Whangarei Waterfall issues	November 2017	<p>A number of issues in regard to the Whangarei Falls reserve were stated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The water smells when it is low.</li> <li>- The rubbish bins need to be cleared more often.</li> <li>- Buses and cars make it unsafe for pedestrians.</li> <li>- There are dogs wandering in the area.</li> </ul>	Closed
		Response:	<p>These are on going issues continually being monitored by NRC, Parks, Waste and Regulatory Departments.</p> <p>When these issues occur, it is best for the public to call these issues into Council when they are occurring, straight away.</p>	
	Opening hours of toilets at The Hub	20 September 2017	Can these toilets be open to coincide with the Inter-city Bus timetable?	Closed
		Response	The toilets are only open when the i-Site is open – 9am-5pm seven days a week. There is a sign on the door directing people to other public toilets with clear directions on how to get to them for times when the i-Site is closed.	

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
	<b>Entrance to Otangarei via Puna Rere</b>	<b>May 2017</b>	<p><b>Entrance to Te Hononga Street off Puna Rere Drive needs better signage and lighting – easy to miss.</b></p> <p>It was noted that the intersection is not clearly marked and has poor lighting. Request was to check for signage and lighting.</p>	<b>Closed</b>
		<b>4 July</b>	There is a request for higher than standard signage and lighting. Options for the entrance to Te Hononga Street, Otangarei to be investigated and brought back to a future meeting.	
		<b>16 August</b>	Signage has also been requested to mark the entrance to the Otangarei Walkway.	
		<b>Response</b>	<p>There is planned signage for the walkway.</p> <p>Investigations show that Puna Rere Dr has a Street Light at the intersection with Te Hononga St, and the intersection is clearly marked according to the roading standards.</p> <p>Otangarei Neighbourhood Safety Panel in principle, support signage around the entranceway to Otangarei and if possible signs for the park and the walkway. They would like to have some input in the design and location of the signs. The request for the Otangarei Community to create a sign will now progress through the Community Development Team, via their Community Village Planning. LED street lights are being installed over the next 18 months. These are an improvement over existing lights.</p> <p>Additional signage has been approved for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Otangarei” to be included on NZTA green destination sign at the corner of State Highway 1/Puna Rere Drive;</li> <li>• Signage has been included at the intersection of Puna Rere Drive/Te Hononga Street.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Participation in RMA matters</b>	<b>4 July 2017</b>	Concern expressed that Maori were not included in decisions on RMA matters – especially issuing of resource consents.	<b>Closed</b>
		<b>4 August 2017</b>	Again – there was concern that some hapu were not being notified of all resource consents.	
		<b>20 September 2017</b>	Further concern was expressed that some hapu are not receiving notification of all resource consent applications as they expect.	

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		Response	No changes have been made to notifying Hapu of resource consents in their areas of interest. All go to Hapu where they have an interest and/or Statutory Acknowledgment.	
	Te Waiariki Trust (Pataua)	19 July 2017	Not getting resource consent notifications anymore.	Closed
		Response	We have not changed our process re: notifying iwi. Te Waiariki is within our system as having an interest in the Taiharuru, Pataua & Ngunguru areas. As such notified applications within those areas will be sent to Te Waiariki.	
	Hapu Environmental Management Plans	19 July 2017	<p>How does Council use them?            Do not replace engagement, should facilitate it.            Copy should be given to all Councillors after elections → Part of induction programme?            ↓            Hapu presenting their Hapu Environment Management Plans (HEMPS).</p> <p>[Central to concern that they are not satisfied with involvement in RMA and Consents]</p>	Closed
		Response	<p>Hapu Environmental Management Plans (HEMPS) are used through the plan change preparation process to inform the plan change outcomes. Every plan change section 32 evaluation report includes a section analysing the proposed plan change regarding lodged HEMPS.</p> <p>Section 74 of the RMA specifies the matters that council must consider when preparing/changing a district plan. Section 74(2A) states that council <i>must <b>take into account</b> any relevant planning document recognised by an iwi authority and lodged with the territorial authority, to the extent that its content has a bearing on the resource management issues of the district.</i></p> <p>All plan changes are released in draft form as part of pre-consultation, in the past this has included the presentation/workshopping of plan changes with Te Karearea and Te Huinga. Hapu representatives are sent copies of all draft plan changes for feedback and sent proposed plan changes for formal submission.</p> <p>District Plan staff are always available to meet with hapu to discuss concerns, this offer was readily taken up during the pre-consultation of PC94B Papakainga Phase 2.            A copy of the plans held by WDC have been printed and put into a folder in the Councillors' Room.</p>	
	Parking at sports parks	4 August 2017	Parking at rural sports fields – cars block roads eg: Springs Sports Complex.	Closed

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
		<b>Response</b>	There is no record of any complaints or enquiries on this matter. Should similar issues reoccur, please contact Council's after-hours number and our contractor will respond. If large events are known in advance, please inform Council and we can have enforcement people on site.	
	<b>Helena Bay Holdings</b>	<b>4 August 2017</b>	Consent allowing water taken from Mimiha Creek for garden-irrigation. Should be reserved for Marae.	<b>Closed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	Application put on hold and referred back to Marae.	
	<b>Effective 2-way Communication</b>	<b>19 April 2017</b>	Council calendar and a marae/hui calendar will be co-ordinated to look for opportunities to work together. Completed for Te Huinga Meetings.	<b>Closed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	Marae have been contacted. Awaiting responses. Due to many marae reluctant to provide this information we have stopped asking.	
	<b>Land locked off Rewarewa Road</b>	<b>4 July 2017</b>	Section that is possibly land locked off Rewarewa Road. This will need to be addressed via an outside meeting. Need more detail on property – exact location and lot number. Issue also of beside the waste management ponds, sightlines for going in and out.	<b>Closed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	There is potential access available to the land via a paper road which can be developed by the land owners to facilitate any development.	
	<b>Raumanga Height Block Subdivision</b>	<b>April 2017</b>	Raumanga Height Block Subdivision – Tribal & geological factors – caves can't be accessed	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	In relation to the Raumanga Heights subdivision (Trading Corporate Ltd), this will lapse on 7 November 2017 unless a survey plan is submitted to Council by that date.	
		<b>February 2018 Response</b>	No survey plan submitted, nor any application to extend the consent. Confirmed as lapsed.	
	<b>Ngunguru Ford Road</b>	<b>4 July 2017</b>	How many times does it get graded; cost of grading; cost to have it sealed. Why "Council Maintenance ends here" sign where it is; can it get moved to further along road?	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	The Council maintained portion of Ngunguru Ford Rd is 6.9 km long. The road was graded 10 times in the last 12 months.  1300m3 of metal was also placed on road during the last 12 months.  A total of 25 CRM's have been received for Ngunguru Ford Rd in the last 12 months. However, a number were received at the same time from a number of different people reporting the same issue.	

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
			Grading is generally programmed on a monthly routine but can be weather dependant. During the monthly routine all the roads in a particular area are graded generally at the same time over a week or so.	
	<b>Waste Minimisation and Management Plan</b>	<b>June 2017</b>	A request was received to participate in the development of the Waste Minimisation and Management Plan.	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	The plan was sent to Te Huinga and considered at the July meeting.	
	<b>Papakainga Plan</b>		Updates on the Papakianga Plan Change were requested.	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	An update to be provided for the Papakainga Plan change appeal. A report will be on the agenda of the Te Karearea Meeting on 16 August 2017	
	<b>Pataua Boat Ramp &amp; Camp Resource Consent</b>	<b>19 July 2017</b>	What does the consent allow to be built compared to what has been built?	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	What was approved was more than they built – WDC has put compliance in place. What is built is according to the consent.	
	<b>Safety at Whangarei Falls</b>	<b>19 July 2017</b>	Concern was expressed at the danger for visitors to Whangarei Falls	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	The upper falls bridge now has warning signs erected both sides stating “Danger. Do not attempt to cross the bridge if water is flowing over the top of the walkway.” There is also a safety barrier.	
	<b>LTP – early engagement</b>	<b>16 August 2017</b>	Request was made for early engagement opportunities for Hapu.	<b>Completed</b>
		<b>Response</b>	WDC made known we were open to meeting with hapu at their request. Meetings were arranged for Pakotai, and with Patuharakeke.	
	<b>Rubbish on roads</b>		Eg: Crane Road = regular site for illegal dumping. Skips at village centres? eg: Pipiwai/Oakura.	<b>Completed</b>

	Activity	MEETING DATE	PROGRESS	STATUS
			<p>More transfer stations? (Over summer) eg: Opotiki. Get volunteers/community involved?</p> <p>Rubbish from Christmas to Waitangi week at Ohinewai.</p> <p>Litter on Te Hononga Street and Puna Rere Drive.</p>	
		<b>Response</b>	These concerns were referred to the Waste Minimisation And Management Plan process.	





## 6.4 Te Huinga Proposal

**Meeting:** Te Kārearea Strategic Partnership Forum  
**Date of meeting:** 16 May 2018  
**Reporting officer:** Jill McPherson (General Manager Strategy and Democracy)

### 1 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Forum with the proposal from Te Huinga.

### 2 Recommendations

That Te Kārearea Partnership Forum note the report.

### 3 Discussion

At the last Te Karearea Partnership Forum, members of Te Huinga informed the meeting that they would be forwarding a proposal on their focus for 2018. The proposal is attached.

Council's Maori Relationship's team are working through the proposal with a sub-group of Te Huinga and will report back when progress has been made.

This report is for information.

### 4 Attachment

Te Huinga – 2018 Focus



## Te Huinga – 2018 Focus

Te Huinga has been working “collaboratively” with Whangarei District Council (WDC) since 2012. We now find ourselves reflecting on and assessing our progress for hapu and the District in our relationship with WDC.

*“The council and Te Huinga Rangatira representatives of Whangarei hapu will form the new Te Karearea Strategic Partnership Forum to give both parties an opportunity to discuss issues of significance.”<sup>1</sup>*

This role and relationship is critical to both nga hapu o Whangarei and WDC as Rangatiratanga in a strategic partnership, also described in both He Whakaputanga (1835) me Te Tiriti o Waitangi (1840). The partnership described in these founding documents is what we, as hapu rangatira aspire to, in working proactively with WDC. Rangatira working collaboratively with Rangatira for the mutual benefit of our District. We hope that it is something Whangarei District and Northland Regional Councillors will embrace more full heartedly, with the same good faith, courage and determination, to make Northland better for us all. It also lays a foundation for the quality of our relationship with Council post settlement. We seek an energetic, robust and honest relationship in working collaboratively with WDC, where there are increasing opportunities to participate in the strategic decision making within local government in district and regional development and build capacity, as is articulated in Te Karearea Terms of Reference.

*“Mahi Tahi – Tutuki noa te kaupapa. Completing tasks through a culture of partnership.”<sup>2</sup>*

Upon reflection, we have felt that Te Huinga is not achieving its optimum effectiveness and have found from our own “learning conversations” with nga hapu and WDC that we now propose a way to rectify that, to assure more effective engagement and collaboration for both nga hapu o Whangarei and WDC. A more effective collaboration can only bring about improved outcomes for us all as we move into the changing landscape of the future. We acknowledge the work WDC has and does do to engage with Te Huinga under the leadership of Mayor Sheryl Mai. We are ready to do more and work harder in our strategic partnership.

As “volunteers to the cause” with many other commitments, including “jobs that pay the bills” Te Huinga members are “time poor”. We find ourselves being largely reactive to the WDC agenda, participating in courageous and engaging conversations yet little to no capacity to move those to action or be more organised in implementing our own organised vision for nga hapu and our District.

We therefor propose a new way forward, with an expanded budget, managed by Te Huinga, not WDC, with regular quarterly financial reporting of finances and progress towards agreed outcomes. We are confident this will lead to improved effectiveness for hapu and WDC. We

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.nzherald.co.nz/northern-advocate/news/article.cfm?c\\_id=1503450&objectid=11072633](http://www.nzherald.co.nz/northern-advocate/news/article.cfm?c_id=1503450&objectid=11072633)

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.wdc.govt.nz/YourCouncil/CouncilMeetings/Committees/Documents/Te-Karearea-Terms-of-Reference.pdf> pp3

also request opportunities to increase Te Huinga membership on to additional Standing Committees within Council, to build the collaborative relationship we all aspire to.

We believe that having a dedicated person to carry out the “action” that arise from Te Huinga meetings and discussions that we will be able to be more measurably effective in our role(s) representing hapu interests in Council’s work.

This proposal consolidates the current secretariat role already supported by Council and expands the resource add a Project person to follow up and action Te Huinga korero, as appropriate.

<b>Te Huinga Proposed Budget 2018</b>															
	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	Mthly	2018	Cost/Yr
<b>Secretariat</b>														60000	
Secretary (.2)	866	866	866	866	866	866	866	866	866	866	866	866	866	10400	
Project Person (.8)	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	3466	41600	
Travel	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2400	
Phone Internet	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2400	
Stationery	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	266	3200	
														60000	60000
<b>Rent</b>															
Utilities	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2400	
Catering	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	2400	
														5000	5000
Te Huinga Meeting Fees x 10	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	24000	
Te Karearea Meeting Fees x 9	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	21600	
														45600	45600
															<b>110600</b>

- Note no provision is made for rent

### Te Huinga Project Person

This position will enable Te Huinga korero to be converted to actionable tasks that correlate to Te Huinga priorities. We also recognise that over time, some matters arise which might fall outside the scope of specific identified priorities, but priorities for action, nevertheless.

### Te Huinga 2018 Priorities:

1. Exercising Tino Rangatiratanga as hapu representatives in our partnership with WDC
2. Demonstrating a genuine strategic partnership between nga hapu and WDC
3. Adequate resourcing to participate effectively as a strategic partner
4. Rates, Roads, Rubbish, sustainable environments and digital connection
5. Build capability for Trustees and lead a succession strategy to engage young people as future leaders
6. Be able to respond in strategic and informed ways to Council and hapu business as it arises