

Agenda for a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee to held in the St John Hall, 4 Baird Avenue, Te Kauwhata on **WEDNESDAY, 3 MAY 2023** commencing at **7.00pm**.

*The meeting will open with a Karakia.*

**1. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**2. CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA**

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**4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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*The meeting will close with a Karakia.*

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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

<b>To</b>	<b>Te Kauwhata Community Committee</b>
<b>Report title</b>	<b>Confirmation of Minutes</b>
Date:	Wednesday, 26 April 2023
Report Author:	Rosa Leahy, Democracy Advisor
Authorised by:	Gaylene Kanawa, Democracy Manager

## **1. Purpose of the report**

### **Te Take moo te puurongo**

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To confirm a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee (TKCC) held on Wednesday, 1 March 2023.

## **2. Staff recommendations**

### **Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi**

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**THAT the minutes for a of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday, 1 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

## **3. Attachments**

### **Ngaa taapirihanga**

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Attachment 1 – TKCC Minutes – 1 March 2023

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**MINUTES** of a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held at St John's Ambulance Rooms, 4 Baird Avenue, Te Kauwhata on **WEDNESDAY, 1 MARCH 2023** commencing at **7.00pm**.

**Present:**

Adele Theron  
Angela van de Munckhof  
Estelle (Kahui) Jonathan  
Ian Wrigley  
Jeff Lyons  
Jo Gurnell  
Liz Tupuhi  
Tim Hinton (Acting Chairperson)  
Toni Grace  
Marlene Raumati (councillor)

**Attending:**

Vishal Ramduny - Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships Manager  
Karlene Rhind Senior Community Engagement Advisor and  
Dominique Thurlow – Community and Development Funding Adviser  
Jason Marconi - Economic Development Advisor  
Tofeeq Ahmed – Programme Manager for Placemaking, Kainga Ora  
Stuart McNab – Community member  
Jillian McNab – Community member  
Jan Sedgwick Community Member

**I. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Resolved: (Jeff Lyons/Marlene Raumati)**

**THAT apologies from John Cunningham and Whitney Totorewa be received.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/I**

## **2. CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS**

**Resolved: (Ian Wrigley/ Angela van de Munckhof)**

**THAT the agenda for the meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday, 1 March 2023 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting.**

It was noted that Cr Raumati suggested at the 1 February 2023 meeting that we add to the agenda regular reports/verbal updates from Ngaa Muka Development Trust. This would need to be done for the next meeting on 3 May 2023.

**AND THAT all reports be received.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/2**

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Jason Marconi and Tofeeq Ahmed provided a verbal overview of their thinking on a community identify strategy for Te Kauwhata. Tim Hinton noted that there is good diversity and great passion from the Community Committee to draw from. It was also noted that the strategy will help integrate the established Te Kauwhata township and the new Lakeside development. It was agreed that Estelle Jonathan and Adele Theron will work with Jason and Tofeeq on the strategy and that it will be a project that will be added to the Works and Issues report.

## **3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

- Tim Hinton (as per disclosure of interest form)
- Jo Gurnell (being a member of the Community House)

#### **4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Resolved: (Toni Grace/Adele Theron)**

**THAT the minutes of the meeting for the Te Kauwhata Community Committee, held on Wednesday, 1 February 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/3**

#### **5. ACTIONS**

The actions were as per the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 1 February 2023.

#### **6. REPORTS**

##### **Agenda Item 6.1. Appointment of Funding Representative**

**(Resolved: Toni Grace/Jo Gurnell)**

Dominique Thurlow presented this report. Council is seeking to appoint a funding representative from the Committee. It was noted that this is generally the chairperson but that it doesn't need to be.

Training session will be provided as there are guidelines to be followed on what would be eligible for funding and how to assess and fund. The Committee funding representative will be responsible for the applications that come to Council's Democracy team, assess them, and recommend his/her view on whether this should be funded.

It was noted that an amendment is required to the process to correct the clause that when an organisation is applying for funding from the discretionary fund, the application does not go directly to the Chairperson. Dominique noted that this will be updated in the processes and documentation.

It was agreed that in the interim that John Cunningham be the funding representative but with the option to co-opt this to another member when he is back from leave.

**THAT the Te Kauwhata Community Committee Chairperson be appointed as the interim funding representative for the 2022-2025 triennium unless delegated otherwise.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/4**

## **Agenda Item 6.2. Discretionary Fund Report**

**(Resolved: Jo Gurnell/Adele Theron)**

**That the Te Kauwhata Community Committee:**

- a. Receives the report for the Te Kauwhata Discretionary Fund and the North Waikato Development Funding report.**
- b. Re-allocate the \$5,000 which was initially allocated for the further development of playgrounds (as passed by resolution TKCCI902/04) for the development of the destination playground at the Te Kauwhata Domain.**
- c. Re-allocate the \$3,000 which was initially allocated for the further development of the playgrounds (as passed by resolution TKCC2002/04) back to the Te Kauwhata Community Committee Discretionary Fund budget.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/5**

## Agenda Item 6.3. Te Kauwhata Works and Issues Report

**Resolved: (Toni Grace/Marlene Raumati)**

### Project I: Dog exercise area

- Adele Theron alluded to the concept plan for the dog park including three identified picnic areas (one with a shade cloth) and a 'small dog' exercise area (see attachment 1 and attachment 2)
- Tim further advised that he met with Stephanie Loughnan (the Council's Parks and Reserves Technical Support Officer) at the Horotiu Dog Park during which it was confirmed that most of the equipment will be donated to the Te Kauwhata Dog Park. However, the equipment will need to be removed and re-sited by mid-March 2023. Tim advised that it will be a 'working bee' approach for the installation and will ensure that appropriate health and safety compliance requirements are met. Tim will finalise the

relocation of the equipment with Stephanie and suggested that the local Lions will assist with the recycling of this equipment. He expected that most of this to be completed (Phase 1&2, possibly 3) by the next meeting in May 2023.

#### Project 2: Walkway extending from Saleyard Road to Council Reserve at Blunt Road Walkway

- It was noted that the Council team is awaiting confirmation on the open drain consenting and the final consultant cost before proceeding with recommended alternative analysis.

#### Project 3: Safety Improvements on Main Road

- Two following changes were suggested on the final draft of the safety improvements on Main Road.
  1. THAT the speed cushions be removed from the safety improvement works
  2. THAT the pedestrian crossing be moved to opposite New World (if there are no Waka Kotahi compliance requirements in doing this).

The Committee also acknowledged that the Roding team's focus at the minute is on repairing our damaged roads from the cyclone and that implementation of the safety improvements to Main Road may be delayed because of this.

#### Project 4: Implementation of the Te Kauwhata Domain Plan

##### 4.1. Te Kauwhata Domain walkway and fitness trail

3. It was noted that a multi-year (2+2years) Walkways Contract is being developed by Council and that the walkway projects in the contract will include Te Kauwhata Domain Walkway, Rotokauri Walkway and Wi Neera Walkway (Raglan) among others.
4. The Contract will be going out to the market in April 2023 when the walkways designs are completed.
5. Project Management consultants Octa have been engaged to complete the procurement plan, tender documents, and contracts.

#### 4.2. Community Outdoor Stage

- Jo Gurnell suggested that it may make sense for the stage to be located adjacent to the playground (like the stage at Hamilton Gardens). Adele noted that part of the playground may need to be fenced off so this would need to be considered. Tim suggested a working group be tasked to work on this led by Jo.

#### 4.3. Cameras

- Cr Raumati has met with Megan May (Council's Deputy GM for Service Delivery) at which it was confirmed that Te Kauwhata and Meremere will be the first communities to benefit from the camera roll out rather than waiting for a district-wide rollout. This was because there is already an LTP funding commitment for this project for Te Kauwhata and Meremere.

#### 4.4. Domain Community Garden

- This is work in progress. Estelle advised that Whitney had referred the matter of the list of appropriate plant species to her as well.
- The Committee was reminded that there is an active Rongoa group (Toi Ako) in Te Kauwhata and it would be useful to link into them.
- Tim also indicated that, as a horticulturalist, he has good knowledge on appropriate plant species and can help with this.
- Whitney, Estelle, Jo, and Tim will be work on this project.

#### 4.5. Mural adjacent to squash club

- Adele circulated a report (see attachment 3) showing some uplifting an inspirational panel design which can be used as examples.
- Adele, Tim, Estelle, and Jeff will work on this project and come back to the Committee with some firmed-up proposals.



**THAT the Works and Issues report be received and the updates and actions from this meeting be noted for the next report.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/6**

**6.4 Councillor Report**

**Resolved: (Tim Hinton/ Angela van de Munckhof)**

Cr Marlene Raumati provided the following verbal update:

- Noted that a lot of people in Hawkes Bay, Gisborne and Port Waikato have their lives upturned because of the cyclone.
- Advised that Council is proposing changes to how we manage traffic in our district by creating a new Traffic Bylaw. Consultation is open from 27 February to 27 March 2023.
- Advised that Council is also proposing changes to the Public Places Bylaw. Consultation is open from 27 February to 27 March 2023.
- A hearing on the Trade Waste and Wastewater by-law has been held.
- Advised that due to the impact of the cyclone on some of our communities and several of our roads, we need to be patient because Council is currently in recovery mode and hence priorities need to be re-ordered.
- That there was a very successful community and stakeholders' workshop on 23 February 2023 to discuss an emergency management plan for Te Kauwhata and Rangiriri. A group of coordinators have been appointed for Te Kauwhata, Meremere and Waerenga.
- That there was also a discussion with Kainga Ora and Council regarding development agreements. (Tim Hinton advised that he would get John Cunningham to lead a submission on this).

**That the Te Kauwhata Community Committee receive the verbal councillor report.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/7**

## 6.6. Chairpersons Report

### **Resolved: (Toni Grace/ Angela van de Munckhof)**

- Tim Hinton, as the acting chairperson, provided the following verbal update:
- Thanked the Committee and Council staff for their leadership and commitment. Tim especially pointed out the great work being done by the Committee's project working groups. He noted that there is a great history of a functional committee who get things done. He is happy and proud to be a part of it.
- Suggested that the meeting structure needs to be reconsidered to allow for working groups to progress within the bounds of the meeting. He suggested that the Committee meetings should be from 7:00pm to 8:00pm and that 8:00pm-8:30pm be used for the project working groups to get together.
- Thanked Toni Grace for her contribution to the Committee and awarded her a gift on behalf of everyone after Toni gave a farewell speech.
- Acknowledged Jan Sedgwick for the gift she brought for Toni.

**That the Te Kauwhata Community Committee receive the verbal Acting Chairperson's report.**

**CARRIED**

**TKCC2303/8**

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8:56 pm

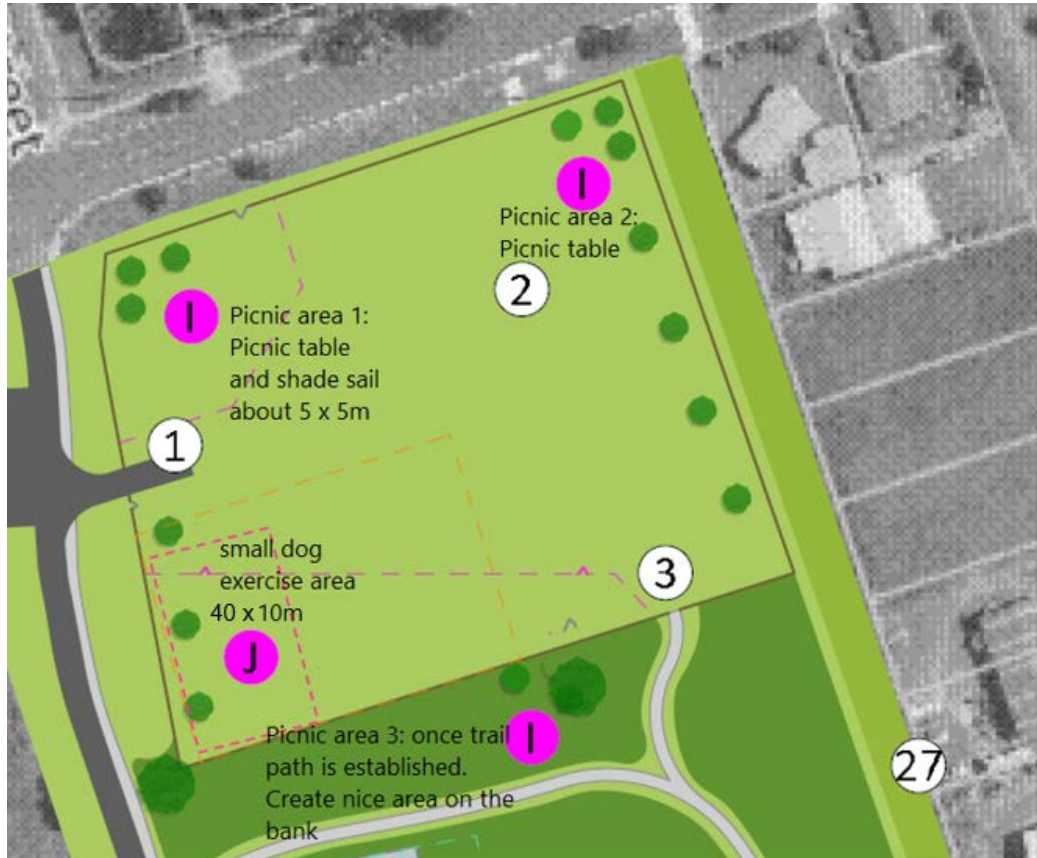
Minutes approved and confirmed this 21st day of March 2023.

Tim Hinton

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON**

# Te Kauwhata Dog Park Project

As part of the sub committee's tasks, we propose some changes to the overall dog park as represented below:

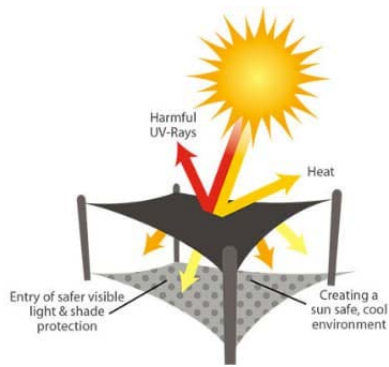


## Phase 1: AGILITY EQUIPMENT

- Tim is checking out the agility equipment this week and sending photos to the rest of us. Then we will coordinate taking the stuff we agree will be cool to the dog park
- We will check to see if any of the equipment needs painting or fixing up. We might request support from the community on this and figure out how to source paint etc

## Phase 2: PICNIC AREA 1

- We mapped out the area using paint on the ground
- We are sourcing a picnic table to place at picnic area 1
- I have contacted Sunshade and Shades Direct for quotes on shade sails which will cover the picnic table and look a bit like this below but with 3 wooden poles in the ground covering an area of 10m<sup>2</sup> and 15m<sup>2</sup> so we see what would work.
- We will source wooden poles and concrete and make a community project day of erecting the shade sail (once we figure out how to fund it)
- Tim will hopefully source some mulch for the areas under the trees and Jeff will source half rounds to keep mulch all in the area



#### PHASE 3: Small dog fenced-off area

- We mapped out a small dog area in position J above measuring about 40 x 10m<sup>2</sup>
- We will look into fencing options for this area with a gate so mowing the lawn is still straightforward
- We need to feed back once we have explored fencing

#### PHASE 4: Picnic area 2

- Sourcing picnic table for this
- Tim will hopefully source some mulch for the areas under the trees and Jeff will source half rounds to keep mulch all in the area

#### PHASE 5:

- Walkway installed
- Gate to dog park to link to walking track installed
- Clearing of drain
- Removal of trees on the bank so the mural can be viewed
- Planting of trees at the far end by the squash court, so mural not obscured

Updated the domain drawing to represent these changes as well as the tennis/netball courts/ new position of the long jump and cricket nets.



**LEGEND**

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| ① Double gated vehicle entrance to dog exercise area/ overflow parking | ⑭ Scout Hall   | ⑳ Link from Mahi Road   |
| ② Dog exercise area with water station and agility equipment           | ⑮ Walkway/access to fields 3 & 4, gate relocated to top of walkway                         | ㉑ Planting of drain/low lying areas   |
| ③ Link to fitness trail/walkway  | ⑯ Rugby field 1  | ㉒ Community orchard/garden  |
| ④ Rugby Club service area  | ⑰ Cricket pitch and proposed long jump   | ㉓ Link to Mahi Road with fruit trees  |
| ⑤ Rugby Club   | ⑱ Rugby field 2  | ㉔ Field drainage area to be planted   |
| ⑥ Squash Club (to be extended)   | ⑲ Cricket nets   | ⑳ Fitness trail/walkway   |
| ⑦ Bank area to be planted with natives                                 | ㉑ Rugby field 3  | Ⓐ Ⓑ Proposed picnic area with BBQ   |
| ⑧ Junior practice fields/event space                                   | ㉒ Currently 5 year lease to equestrian group. Potential to be developed into sports fields | Ⓒ Ⓓ Ⓔ Proposed nature play area   |
| ⑨ Field side seating   | ㉓ Planting of low lying wetland areas, potential for walkway link to Lakeside              | Ⓕ Ⓖ Ⓗ Proposed outdoor stage  |
| ⑩ Carpark  | ㉔ Link from Scott Road   | Ⓖ Proposed dog park picnic areas  |
| ⑪ Public toilets   | ㉕ Link from St Andrews Place   | Ⓙ Proposed 'small dog' exercise area  |
| ⑫ Proposed destination playground                                      |  | Ⓚ Ⓛ Ⓜ Proposed multi-use courts including tennis and netball courts with possible running track around the courts |
| ⑬ Walkway/access to fields 1 & 2                                       |  |   |

# Te Kauwhata Domain Mural Project

## History of Te Kauwhata

Te Kauwhata refers to an ancient settlement on an island (Punikanae Island) in the middle of a lake in the area, Lake Waikare. Punikanae island has a silica sinter-depositing spring located on it. This is the only sinter depositing spring known outside the Taupo Volcanic Zone. Te Kauwhata (originally named Tā Kauwhata meaning empty storehouses back in the day) refers to the empty store houses (pātaka kai) that stood on this settlement, protecting food from pests on the mainland. The story goes that during the war, Māori would harvest kai (vegetables like kumara and potatoes) and bundle it up onto waka (boats) which would then get ferried across to Punikanae island to keep safe till winter. The little storehouses were on stilts and as the pests couldn't swim across the lake, pests could not destroy this valuable kai. In the winter, the Māori would row the wakas across the lake to fetch the kai again and returned to the maraes to feed the people. This kai sustained people during the war and were a lifeblood to the locals. Despite the battle of Rangiriri, Māori even fed the British this way during the war, so were the kind ways of the people.

If you look at the TK primary school and college emblems, you will see image of the storehouse.



The population is 2760 people as of June 2022. The township is surrounded by dairy farms, drystock holdings and horticulture. Its newest building is its Waikato District Council library. Originally known as Wairangi, Te Kauwhata grew around a railway station built in the late 1870s.

The first home of the New Zealand wine industry, the Viticultural Research Station was the site of an experimental farm, growing Syrah, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Cabernet Sauvignon and Riesling grapes. International viticulturalist Romeo Bragato took over the running of this station in 1901 and five wines produced here won gold medals.

Just south of Te Kauwhata, is the site of one of the fiercest battles of the New Zealand land wars, fought at Rangiriri on 20 November 1863. Māori built an exceptionally strong paa there, and when the British forces attacked many men lost their lives. Part of the paa site is now a historic reserve. Te Kauwhata's natural features include Lake Waikare and the Whangamarino wetlands, a significant

environmental feature in the north Waikato. Located just north of the township, the Whangamarino wetlands area is the second largest peat bog and swamp complex in the North Island. The Whangamarino Wetland encompasses peat bog, swampland and river systems. The dominant vegetation is mānuka and wire rush, with moss and lichen species. Threatened plants include water milfoil, the swamp helmet orchid (*Anzybas carsei*), and clubmoss.

Threatened bird species, including the grey teal, the spotless crane, the North Island fernbird and around 25% of New Zealand's population of Australasian bitterns live in the wetland. Eighteen species of fish include the black mudfish.

In 1961 the lower Waikato–Waipā flood protection scheme caused water levels to drop by more than 1.5 metres. As part of wetland restoration, a weir was constructed on the Whangamarino River in 1989 to maintain minimum water levels. The Department of Conservation controls animal and plant pests, which include the highly invasive alligator weed. Established as a Ramsar site in 1989, this wetlands area has been developed further since the late 1990s. It is managed by the Department of Conservation it is the site of the first National Wetland Trail established in New Zealand. Te Kauwhata, a village of over

1,500 residents (1,617 – Census 2018). The township is surrounded by dairy farms, drystock holdings and horticulture. Its newest building is its Waikato District Council library. Originally known as Wairangi, Te Kauwhata grew around a railway station built in the late 1870s.

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### The TK Domain

A site where we have young and old across the community coming together to have picnics, attend events, play sports, play with their kids and walk their dogs. It's a community meeting spot where people from all walks of life and cultural backgrounds come together as friends and whānau.

In the past, the TK Domain was the site for the original War Memorial and people used to come together to sing/ dance and attend concerts, raffles and games evenings. Rugby was originally a source of recreation in Te Kauwhata since 1907 and was played at the TK

wars, fought at Rangiriri on 20 November 1863. Māori built an exceptionally strong paa there, and when the British forces attacked many men lost their lives. Part of the paa site is now a historic reserve.

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Domain from 1947 onwards. Back in those days, sheep would graze the Domain fields and keep them short.

Today the Domain plays host to a dog park, a rugby club, squash club, scouts hall, as well as a cricket pitch and training nets. In the future, the Domain will play host to Long jump and athletics club, multi-court facilities including a hockey pitch as well as netball and tennis courts, a kids playground, fitness track connecting Te Kauwhata and Lakeside, a running track and even a concert/ stage for cultural events and music festivals.

## The TK Squash Club Mural project

- The mural project is designed to be erected on the Te Kauwhata Squash Court. It will be focused on capturing the essence of the TK Domain which has a history as a war memorial but is primarily used as a sports club and community meeting place for events and leisure.
- The mural will be visible from anyone driving down Mahi road or walking their dogs at the Te Kauwhata dog park.
- The Te Kauwhata Squash club currently has 2 courts but the vision in the future is to extend the club to have another 3 courts, making it a 5-court establishment.
- We would love to create a mural which really captures all the amazing images summarising the TK Domain up as a whole. If we can interlace some TK cultural, community and sporting history into this, it would be wonderful too.
- The TK Squash club engaged with Claire Dubosky previously and she designed a mural image representing just squash for the wall. Whilst it's totally beautiful, **we would like the mural to be**

more inclusive of the wider TK Domain community and tell the TK story beyond just the squash club.

- There will potentially be 12-15 panels to design. 6 panels for the existing courts (which should represent things already existing within the TK Domain) and 6-9 future panels which incorporate proposed changes we are working on for the TK Domain.
- There will be 15 panels to design and the first 6 need to be standalone as the next 6-9 panels will be years away.

PHASE 1		PHASE 2		
COURT 1 (exists)	COURT 2 (exists)	COURT 3 (proposed)	COURT 4 (proposed)	COURT 5 (proposed)
Panel 1	Panel 4	Panel 7	Panel 10	Panel 13
Panel 2	Panel 5	Panel 8	Panel 11	Panel 14
Panel 3	Panel 6	Panel 9	Panel 12	Panel 15

We would love to create a mural which tells the story of Te Kauwhata and the Domain. Perhaps the overall imagery can be agreed on and then cut into 'panels' to be created in phase 1 and phase 2 of this project. Phase 1 needs to be standalone as it will be some years before phase 2 takes effect.

After consultation with various parties including Frank Green and key representatives from Ngā Muka Development trust, the imagery below would be amazing to incorporate as part of an overall storyboard of Te Kauwhata...

The mural is to be uplifting and inspirational (so not too much war imagery please)...

HISTORY OF TK (part of phase 1 and or phase 2)	FAUNA AND FLORA of TK (part of phase 1 and or phase 2)	CURRENT DOMAIN ELEMENTS (phase 1 elements)	PROPOSED DOMAIN ELEMENTS (phase 2 elements)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• War Memorial – perhaps this can be represented with the Anzac day poppy</li> <li>• Māori caves – <i>these are located within the Whangamarino wetlands but due to the accumulation of silt, the caves are not visible right now. Mothers and children would hide here during the war</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Winelands – capturing some vine leaves and perhaps some wines?</li> <li>• Orchards</li> <li>• The wetlands</li> <li>• Agricultural and farming of kai</li> <li>• Mānuka and wire rush</li> <li>• Flax/ harakeke</li> <li>• Moss and lichen species</li> <li>• Threatened plants include water milfoil, the swamp</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rugby</li> <li>• Cricket</li> <li>• Squash</li> <li>• Scouts</li> <li>• Dog Park</li> <li>• Young and old of all cultures and parts of the community coming together as whānau</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long jump</li> <li>• Netball</li> <li>• Tennis</li> <li>• Playground</li> <li>• Fitness track</li> <li>• Running track</li> <li>• Concert/ stage</li> <li>• Athletics club</li> <li>• Hockey</li> </ul>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Singing with guitars, Taonga pūoro flutes and Purerehua musical instruments. For the Purerehua, the timber it is made of is native totara, and the carving is a symbol of the wind.</li> </ul>	<p>helmet orchid and clubmoss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sheep</li> <li>• Tuna from lake Waikare</li> <li>• Eels</li> <li>• Grey teal</li> <li>• Spotless crake</li> <li>North Island fernbird</li> </ul>		
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Some look and feel ideas:



## Next Steps

1. For Claire to look at this project and get some imagery and ideas together for a mural storyboard
2. For Claire to meet with key members of Ngā Muka Development trust, including the sculptor who is designing key images in the Lakeside project to discuss images he is using so the mural represents continuity with that project and is an extension of that project
3. For Claire to come back with a quote on phase 1 and phase 2 with timings and requirements needed to produce the work

<b>To</b>	<b>Te Kauwhata Community Committee</b>
<b>Report title</b>	<b>Te Kauwhata Works and Issues Report</b>
Date:	3 May 2023
Report author:	Vishal Ramduny, Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships Manager
Authorised by:	Vishal Ramduny, Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships Manager

## 1. Purpose of the report

### Te Take moo te puurongo

To update the Committee on projects contained in the Works and Issues report.

## 2. Report

### Puurongo

The updates contained in the attachment relate to the following projects identified by the Community Committee:

- Project 1 - Development of the dog park exercise area
- Project 2 - Saleyard Road to Blunt Road walkway
- Project 3 - Safety improvements on Main Road
- Project 4 - Community Identity Action Plan
- Project 5 - Te Kauwhata Domain - Walkway and Fitness Trail
- Project 6 - Te Kauwhata Domain - Community Outdoor Stage
- Project 7 - Te Kauwhata Domain - Security cameras
- Project 8 - Te Kauwhata Domain - Rongoa Garden
- Project 9 - Te Kauwhata Domain - Mural (adjacent to squash club)

## 3. Staff recommendations

### Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi

That the report from the Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships Manager be received.

## 4. Attachments

### Ngaa taapirihanga

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Attachment 1 – Works and Issues Report – January/February 2023




# ATTACHMENT

## Te Kauwhata Community Committee

### Works and Issues Report

3 May 2023

### Key:

Traffic Light	Definition
	Project on track to succeed.
	Project planning has commenced OR the project is on hold, but action is being taken to resolve this OR a problem has been identified but no action may be taken at this time, and it is being monitored.
	The project has not yet started OR it requires remedial action.

## I. Project Name: Development of the dog park exercise area

Project Goal:	Development of the Te Kauwhata dog park to make it an enjoyable space for both dogs and people.
Project Manager:	Adele Theron
Project Members:	Tim Hinton, Jeff Lyons and Ian Wrigley
Council Staff Advisor:	Stephanie Loughnan (Parks and Reserves Technical Support Officer)
Status:	
Funding:	In kind
Likely Completion	June 2023

### Project Status

The TK dog park will be revamped to include a dog agility course and a fenced-off area for the more timid small dogs to play and exercise without fear of being encroached upon by larger dogs. Additionally, the dog park will also benefit from the development of two shaded picnic areas with picnic tables in them so members of the community can enjoy the area more with their families.

Please note that parking for overflow of the rugby club events has been fully considered.




Status update of actions from last 3 months	Support needed	Next steps	By When?
<p><b>PHASE 1: Dog Agility Area</b></p> <p>Tim's team collected all the dog agility equipment donated from Horotiu and delivered it to Carley's.</p> <p>Tim, Adele, Jeff and Ian met at Carley's yard to inspect all the equipment and map out a plan for the development of the project on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.</p>	<p>Community events across 3 phases:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Working bee to clean up the equipment on Sat 29<sup>th</sup> April 2023</li> <li>2) Consult with dog agility course expert Denise Ireland on the layout of the course in May 2023</li> <li>3) Working bee to install the equipment in May/ June 2023</li> <li>4) Working bee to paint and finish the equipment in May 2023</li> </ol>	<p>Working bees</p> <p>Adele sent out community support requests on TK community page, Dog park community page and TKCC members</p>	<p>Dates advised under support needed</p>

<p><b>PHASE 2: Picnic areas 1 and 2</b></p> <p>Location of the picnic and shaded areas as well as small dog park area confirmed in the diagrams accompanying diagram.</p> <p>A quote obtained for Shades Direct for one shade sail measuring 3x5 with 3 poles was \$6,500 so we decided to go a different way to get a quote for 4 poles. Peter Fletch from Fletch's Covers and Trim in Huntly met Tim, Adele, Jeff and Ian met at the dog park on 1 April 2023 and mapped out the shade sail.</p> <p><b>Costs as of 15 April 2023:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 Pole design measuring Shade sail areas 1 and 2 measure 6.5x6.5 = 42.25m<sup>2</sup> each</li> <li>• Monotec 370, colour of our choice – 15-year fabric warranty. Heavy fabric – no joins, includes stainless steel hardware, d-shackles and chain links. Price includes making and fitting the dog park shade = \$4,172.20 incl. GST.</li> <li>• 8 x 125mm medium galvanised steel pipe poles with 4 x 3.5m long and 4 x 5m long fitted with caps = \$2,484.80 – looks like this includes GST</li> <li>• Excavator and auger drill at \$115 per hour ~ \$276 incl. GST</li> <li>• Concrete 1.8m<sup>3</sup> \$805 incl. GST</li> </ul> <p>~ \$7,738 incl. GST</p> <p>We will source 4 galvanised steel poles per shade sail (2 poles will be lower and 2 higher) The height of the lower poles will be 2.5m above ground with 1m in the ground and the higher poles will be 3.5m above ground with 1.5m in the ground) for each shade sail and concrete and make a community project day of erecting the shade sail (once we figure out how to fund it). Tim will hopefully source some mulch for the areas under the trees and Jeff will source half rounds to keep mulch/metal all in the area – effort and cost TBD.</p> <p>Picnic tables have been sourced but need to be sanded and completed – effort TBD.</p>	<p>Items for the TKCC meeting:</p> <p>TKCC discussion on costs for the shade sail and how this will be funded.</p> <p>Can we uncommit the TKCC2012/03 \$10,000 which we committed in the discretionary fund towards the Blunt Road walkway onto this project?</p> <p>Discuss costs for shade sail and determine costs for the bark and wooded areas.</p> <p>Decide colour of fabric shade sails</p> <p>Decide on metal vs. mulch finishings in picnic area.</p> <p>Discuss picnic tables next steps.</p> <p>Agree working bee dates.</p>	<p>See what happens in the meeting.</p>	<p>May/ June 2023</p>
<p><b>PHASE 3: Small dog fenced-off area.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We mapped out a small dog area in position J above measuring about 40 x 10m<sup>2</sup>.</li> <li>• We will look into fencing options for this area with a gate so mowing the lawn is still straightforward.</li> <li>• We need to feed back once we have explored fencing with Barakat Fencing</li> </ul>	<p>Fencing companies willing to assist</p>	<p>Tim and Adele exploring fencing options</p>	<p>TBD</p>


<p><b>PHASE 4: Picnic area 3 explored.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walkway installed.</li> <li>• Gate to dog park to link to walking track installed.</li> <li>• Clearing of drain</li> <li>• Removal of trees on the bank so the mural can be viewed.</li> <li>• Planting of trees at the far end by the squash court, so mural not obscured.</li> </ul>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>TBD</p>
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**Fabric colours for Shade sail**

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<b>Bundena Blue</b> SF=83.2%	<b>Sheba Dark Blue</b> SF=86.9%
<b>Graphite Charcoal</b> SF=87%	<b>Marrocan Terracotta</b> SF=82.6%
<b>Abaroo Red</b> SF=83.1%	<b>Koonunga Green</b> SF=86.1%
<b>Domino Black</b> SF=88.4%	<b>Lime Fizz Lime</b> SF=84.3%
<b>Mellow Haze Yellow</b> SF=74.7%	<b>Sherbet Orange</b> SF=79.4%
<b>Bubblegum Pink</b> SF=83.6%	<b>Jazzberry Purple</b> SF=84.7%
<b>Candy Red</b> SF=82.8%	





### Dog Park agility equipment






## 2. Project Name: Saleyard Road to Blunt Road walkway

Project Goal:	Development of a walkway extending from Saleyard Road to Waikato District Council Reserve section of the former Blunt Road walkway
Project Manager:	John Cunningham
Project Members:	Marlene Raumati, Estelle Jonathan, Tim Hinton, and Whitney Totorewa
Council Staff Advisor:	Ed McVicar (Open Spaces Project Coordinator)
Status:	
Funding	\$150,000 from the North Waikato Development Fund has been allocated to this project with other funding sources being looked at by the Committee.
Likely Completion	TBC

### Project Status

Activity	Status Update for 3 May 2023	Next step	By when
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council to confirm the open drain consenting and the final consultant cost before proceeding with recommended alternative analysis.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The consultants have come back to Council, and we do not need to do anything else with consenting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting arranged for John Cunningham, Tim Hinton, and Ed McVicar for 8.30am 20 April at Saleyard Rd.</li> <li>Tidy up of what is existing around the open drain and then discussion on alternatives.</li> </ul>	<p>20 April 2023</p> <p>June 2023</p>


### 3. Project Name: Safety improvements on Main Road

Project Goal:	To improve the safety of pedestrians on Main Road through a safer and more visible pedestrian crossing
Project Manager:	Attinder Singh (Roading Contract Manager)
Project Members:	Te Kauwhata Community Committee
Council Staff Advisor:	Attinder Singh (Roading Contract Manager)
Status:	
Funding	Current operational funding from Council's Roading team for existing crossing. No funding for a new crossing to replace the existing one in the 2021-2031 LTP.
Likely Completion	TBC

### Project Status

Activity	Status Update for 3 May 2023	Next step	By when
Resolution required by the Te Kauwhata Community Committee on how to proceed.	Resolution on how to proceed will be required by the Committee at its meeting of 3 May 2023. This is the subject of another report.		


## 4. Project Name: Community Identity Action Plan

Project Goal:	A Plan to give the residents of Te Kauwhata (including the Lakeside development) a greater sense of identity and belonging.
Project Manager:	Jason Marconi (Economic Development Advisor)
Project Members:	Tofeeq Ahmed, Estelle Jonathan and Adele Theron
Council Staff Advisor:	Jason Marconi (Economic Development Advisor)
Status:	
Funding:	TBC
Likely Completion	TBC

### Project Status

Activity	Status Update for 3 May 2023	Next step	By when
Start Project	Preliminary engagement with community committee to consider consolidating current identity projects into one overarching plan.	Draft high level structure map of working groups, to be discussed with community committee for feedback/input.  Identify/engage key community members/leaders and partners for each working group.	June 2023 Committee meeting


## 5. Project Name: Te Kauwhata Domain - Walkway and Fitness Trail

Project Goal:	A walkway and fitness trail which will help enhance the health and wellbeing of residents of Te Kauwhata.
Project Manager:	Tim Hinton
Project Members:	John Cunningham
Council Staff Advisor:	Ed McVicar (Open Spaces Project Coordinator)
Status:	
Funding:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ \$100,000 allocated by TKCC.</li> <li>▪ \$216,000 allocated from WDC in the 2021-2031 LTP available towards this project</li> <li>▪ \$62,000 is available in the 2022-2023 financial year for the project (can be rolled over if not used)</li> <li>▪ May require a modest funding top up from the Te Kauwhata Blueprint allocation.</li> </ul>
Likely Completion	TBC

## Project Status

Activity	Status Update for 3 May 2023	Next step	By when
<p>Council will be issuing a multi-year (2+2years) Walkways Contract that will include the Rotokauri Walkway which is expected to go to the market in April 2023. Project Management consultants (Octa) have been engaged to complete the procurement plan, tender documents, and contracts.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A walk-over site visit was completed on Thursday 6th April 2023 with council staff, consultants (OCTA, GDC) and Tim Hinton. The general path lay out works and consultants investigating options with area from rugby club to Scott Road/Mahi Road embankment as to retaining or battering the slope to allow for adequate room for the path once trees are cleared. Kevin Gordon (WDC arborist) was happy with trees that required removal and the trees to be retained are not affected by works at this point.</li> <li>▪ Feedback provided to GDC on walkway/stormwater draft design.</li> <li>▪ The site has been mulch mown to allow for easier definition of areas for walkway layout and planting works, fitness equipment and aesthetic areas /viewpoints.</li> <li>▪ Council had a meeting on Friday 14th April with engineers /consultants awaiting outcomes recommendations to be advised.</li> </ul>	<p>Next segment of works Planned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Schedule of quantities and final design being completed.</li> <li>▪ On-going communication with Iwi and key stakeholders</li> </ul>	<p>May 2023.</p>


## 6. Project Name: Te Kauwhata Domain – Community Outdoor Stage

Project Goal:	An outdoor stage which would enable the community to display their artistic talents
Project Manager:	Jo Gurnell
Project Members:	Liz Tupuhi
Council Staff Advisor:	Jason Marconi (Economic Development Advisor)
Status:	
Funding:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Cost estimates needed before applications for external funding can be made.</li> <li>▪ Seeking WDC Blueprint seed funding of \$20K as part of external funding applications.</li> </ul>
Likely Completion	TBC

### Project Status

Activity	Status Update for 3 May 2023	Next step	By when
Project yet to be started.			


## 7. Project Name: Te Kauwhata Domain – Security cameras

Project Goal:	Security cameras covering the car park, the freedom camping area, scout den and the destination playground thus providing a safe environment for users.
Project Manager:	Megan May (Acting General Manager – Service Delivery)
Project Members:	Te Kauwhata Community Committee
Council Staff Advisor:	n/a
Status:	
Funding:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Council currently has an LTP 2021-2031 funding commitment for cameras at Te Kauwhata and Meremere.</li> <li>▪ Funding commitment from the TKCC Discretionary Fund for \$10K.</li> </ul>
Likely Completion	TBC

### Project Status

Activity	Status Update for 3 May 2023	Next step	By when
Council to confirm timing for the installation of the security cameras, Te Kauwhata and Meremere will be the first communities to benefit from the camera roll out rather than waiting for a district-wide rollout. This was because there is already an LTP funding commitment for this project for Te Kauwhata and Meremere.			

## 8. Project Name: Te Kauwhata Domain – Rongoa Garden


Project Goal:	A Rongoa garden promoting wellbeing, the wellbeing of the person, the whenua, the soil, and the water flowing through the whenua.
Project Manager:	Whitney Totorewa
Project Members:	Estelle Jonathan, Jo Gurnell and Tim Hinton.
Council Staff Advisor:	n/a
Status:	
Funding:	\$3000 from Council's Placemaking Budget can be used for the irrigation.
Likely Completion	TBC

### Project Status

Activity	Status Update for 3 May 2023	Next step	By when
Finalise list of appropriate plant species	TKC Reorua Classes will research what plants will be appropriate for the Rongoa Garden during Term 2, (Example Kawakawa plant-grows in part-shade, needs protection from frost as a young plant	Whitney to take photos of the garden area space for students to help with research.  Create a list of appropriate plant species-identifying what each plant will need to grow successfully.  Create a plan to identify suitable placements of plants in the garden area.	3 June 2023
Connect with Toi Ako source plants.	Have not yet connected with Toi Ako		



## 9. Project Name: Te Kauwhata Domain – Mural (adjacent to squash club)

Project Goal:	A mural showcasing Te Kauwhata’s environmental, cultural, and sporting ethos.
Project Manager:	Adele Theron
Project Members:	Estelle Jonathan, Tim Hinton, Jeff Lyons
Council Staff Advisor:	n/a
Status:	
Funding:	TBC
Likely Completion	TBC

### Project Status

The mural project is designed to be erected on the Te Kauwhata Squash Court. It will be focused on capturing the essence of the TK Domain which has a history as a war memorial but is primarily used as a sports club and community meeting place for events and leisure. The mural will be visible from anyone driving down Mahi Road or walking their dogs at the Te Kauwhata dog park. The Te Kauwhata Squash club currently has 2 courts but the vision in the future is to extend the club to have another 3 courts, making it a 5-court establishment. We would love to create a mural which really captures all the amazing images summarising the TK Domain up as a whole. If we can interlace some TK cultural, community and sporting history into this, it would be wonderful too. The TK Squash club engaged with Graham Hoete (who did the Ngāruawāhia Squash Club mural) and Claire Dubosky (a renowned artist who has completed many murals across north Waikato) to see about designing a mural. Graham has not responded whilst Claire has been actively involved and gone ahead and designed a series of 6 murals already.

### How the elements of the mural were decided upon

Extensive study was done into the history of Te Kauwhata (see addendum) including reading all the historical artifacts, reviewing images of the Settlers Museum and consulting widely with the Te Kauwhata historical society, Nga Muka Development Trust (Nga Muka), key members of the Domain project, Morris West, Frank Green as well as the committee of the Te Kauwhata Rugby Club and Te Kauwhata Squash club, the overall imagery was agreed upon.

An active discussion was had about the reference to the Domain being the site for the old war memorial. Everyone agreed that the Te Kauwhata Domain shall be called the Te Kauwhata Domain. All references to the history of the Domain being a war memorial was not considered pertinent to the future of the Domain or Te Kauwhata as a town in general. It was felt that the mural should include elements of this history (the poppy and the war memorial stone) as a reverent nod to an important historical moment BUT it was considered important that the Domain is a positive and enlivening place

which brings the community together and the mural is to be uplifting and inspirational representing the best elements of Te Kauwhata's past and future.

### Historical images and elements to be represented within the mural:

HISTORY OF TK (part of phase 1 and or phase 2)	FAUNA AND FLORA of TK (part of phase 1 and or phase 2)	CURRENT DOMAIN ELEMENTS (phase 1 elements)	PROPOSED DOMAIN ELEMENTS (phase 2 elements)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• War Memorial – represented with the Anzac Day poppy as well as the war memorial rock outside the TK dog park</li> <li>• Māori caves – <i>these are located within the Whangamarino wetlands but due to the accumulation of silt, the caves are not visible right now. Mothers and children would hide here during the war</i></li> <li>• Singing with guitars, Taonga pūoro flutes and Purerehua musical instruments. For the Purerehua, the timber it is made of is native totara, and the carving is a symbol of the wind.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Winelands – capturing some vine leaves and perhaps some wines?</li> <li>• Orchards</li> <li>• The wetlands</li> <li>• Agricultural and farming of kai</li> <li>• Mānuka and wire rush</li> <li>• Wattle</li> <li>• Flax/ harakeke</li> <li>• Moss and lichen species</li> <li>• Threatened plants include water milfoil, the swamp helmet orchid and clubmoss</li> <li>• Sheep</li> <li>• Tuna from lake Waikare</li> <li>• Eels</li> <li>• Grey teal</li> <li>• Spotless crane</li> <li>• North Island fernbird</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rugby</li> <li>• Cricket</li> <li>• Squash</li> <li>• Scouts</li> <li>• Dog Park</li> <li>•</li> <li>• Young and old of all cultures and parts of the community coming together as whānau</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long jump</li> <li>• Netball</li> <li>• Tennis</li> <li>• Playground</li> <li>• Fitness track</li> <li>• Running track</li> <li>• Concert/ stage</li> <li>• Athletics club</li> <li>• Hockey</li> </ul>

The Te Kauwhata Squash club currently has two courts and feasibility studies are underway to commission the building of 3 further courts given the growth in the club and community over the past 3 years. There will be 15 panels to design and the first 6 need to be standalone as the next 9 panels will be years away. The first 6 panels for the existing courts (which should represent things already existing within the TK Domain) and 9 future panels which incorporate proposed changes we are working on for the TK Domain. The current courts vs. future courts cuts this project into 2 phases.

Phase 1 needs to be standalone as it will be some years before phase 2 takes effect.

### The phases and panels are shown below:

PHASE 1		PHASE 2		
COURT 1 (exists)	COURT 2 (exists)	COURT 3 (proposed)	COURT 4 (proposed)	COURT 5 (proposed)

Panel 1	Panel 2	Panel 3	Panel 4	Panel 5	Panel 6	Panel 7	Panel 8	Panel 9	Panel 10	Panel 11	Panel 12	Panel 13	Panel 14	Panel 15
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Discussions were had to design the panels as follows (all above imagery will be included somewhere in one of the panels):

No1	Squash	No9	Wattle, Wetlands River and eels
No2	Cricket	No10	Vineyards
No3	Rugby	No11	Playground
No4	Musicians and traditional Maori musical instruments from historical times when Domain used to be gathering of musicians	No12	Long jump ,Fitness track
No5	Waka and Store house and caves	No13	Tennis
No6	War memorial poppy and stone, Scouts, campers and tourists	No14	Hockey
No7	Dog Park	No15	Netball
No8	Orchards		

Designs for panels 1,2,3,4,5 (cricket cap colour will change to Waikere cricket club and rugby shirt logo will change):





Status update of actions from last 3 months	Support needed	Next steps	By When
<p><b>PHASE 1: 6 Panels of Mural</b></p> <p>We need to agree the panels above</p> <p><b>Costs as of 15 April 2023:</b></p> <p>Designing all 15 panels; \$1,200            Paint for 6 murals: \$1,220            17mm Marine quality ply: \$720            14 litres Primer: \$250            Paintbrushes: \$73            8 litres Anti-graphiti seal: \$362 (varnish and sun protector so the colour doesn't fade)            Production of 6 panels at \$2000 per panel: \$12,000</p> <p>~ \$14,725 incl. GST</p> <p>Scaffolding: See if we can get this sponsored            Installation: See if we can find someone to do this</p>	<p>TKCC discussion to decide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Review costs and see if we want to proceed...</li> <li>2) Do we like the design?</li> <li>3) We need to agree on the panels for the first 6</li> <li>4) How to fund the 6 murals. Do we submit application with Waikato Creative Community? Can we explore uncommitting TKCC1902/04 \$5000 from playground and TKCC2008/04 \$5000 towards security cameras cited in the discretionary fund onto this project?</li> </ol>	<p>Discussion and outcome</p>	<p>Next meeting</p>

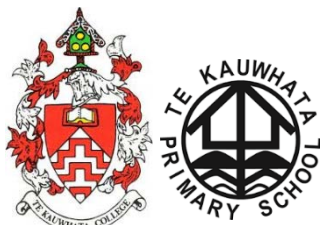
Once we know where we stand with this project, next steps and phases will be considered.

## Addendum: Te Kauwhata History

Te Kauwhata refers to an ancient settlement on an island (Punikanae Island) in the middle of a lake in the area, Lake Waikare. Punikanae island has a silica sinter-depositing spring located on it. This is the only sinter depositing spring known outside the Taupo Volcanic Zone. Te Kauwhata (originally named Tā Kauwhata meaning empty storehouses back in the day) refers to the empty store houses (pātaka kai) that stood on this settlement, protecting food from pests on the mainland. The story goes that during the war, Māori would harvest kai (vegetables like kumara and potatoes) and bundle it up onto waka (boats) which would then get ferried across to Punikanae island to keep safe till winter. The little storehouses were on stilts and as the pests couldn't swim across the lake, pests could not destroy this valuable kai. In the winter, the Māori would row the wakas across the lake to fetch the kai again and returned to the maraes to feed the people. This kai sustained people during the war and were a lifeblood to the locals. Despite the battle of Rangiriri, Māori even fed the British this way during the war, so were the kind ways of the people.

## Open

If you look at the TK primary school and college emblems, you will see image of the storehouse.



The population is 2760 people as of June 2022. The township is surrounded by dairy farms, drystock

holdings and horticulture. Its newest building is its Waikato District Council library. Originally known as Wairangi, Te Kauwhata grew around a railway station built in the late 1870s.

The first home of the New Zealand wine industry, the Viticultural Research Station was the site of an experimental farm, growing Syrah, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Cabernet Sauvignon and Riesling grapes. International viticulturalist Romeo Bragato took over the running of this station in 1901 and five wines produced here won gold medals.

Just south of Te Kauwhata, is the site of one of the fiercest battles of the New Zealand land wars, fought at Rangiriri on 20 November 1863. Māori built an exceptionally strong paa there, and when the British forces attacked many men lost their lives. Part of the paa site is now a historic reserve. Te Kauwhata's natural features include Lake Waikare and the Whangamarino wetlands, a significant environmental feature in the north Waikato. Located just north of the township, the Whangamarino wetlands area is the second largest peat bog and swamp complex in the North Island. The Whangamarino Wetland encompasses peat bog, swampland and river systems. The dominant vegetation is mānuka and wire rush, with moss and lichen species. Threatened plants include water milfoil, the swamp helmet orchid (*Anzybas carsei*), and clubmoss.

Threatened bird species, including the grey teal, the spotless crane, the North Island fernbird and around 25% of New Zealand's population of Australasian bitterns live in the wetland. Eighteen species of fish include the black mudfish.

In 1961 the lower Waikato–Waipā flood protection scheme caused water levels to drop by more than 1.5 metres. As part of wetland restoration, a weir was constructed on the Whangamarino River in 1989 to maintain minimum water levels. The Department of Conservation controls animal and plant pests, which include the highly invasive alligator weed. Established as

a Ramsar site in 1989, this wetlands area has been developed further since the late 1990s. It is managed by the Department of Conservation it is the site of the first National Wetland Trail established in New Zealand. Te Kauwhata, a village of over 1,500 residents (1,617 – Census 2018). The township is surrounded by dairy farms, drystock holdings and horticulture. Its newest building is its Waikato District Council library. Originally known as Wairangi, Te Kauwhata grew around a railway station built in the late 1870s.

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### The TK Domain

A site where we have young and old across the community coming together to have picnics, attend events, play sports, play with their kids and walk their dogs. It's a community meeting spot where people from all walks of life and cultural backgrounds come together as friends and whānau.

In the past, the TK Domain was the site for the original War Memorial and people used to come together to sing/ dance and attend concerts, raffles and games evenings. Rugby was originally a source of recreation in Te Kauwhata since 1907 and was played at the TK Domain from 1947 onwards. Back in those days, sheep would graze the Domain fields and keep them short.

Today the Domain plays host to a dog park, a rugby club, squash club, scouts hall, as well as a cricket pitch and training nets. In the future, the Domain will play host to Long jump and athletics club, multi-court facilities including a hockey pitch as well as netball and tennis courts, a kids playground, fitness track connecting Te Kauwhata and Lakeside, a running track and even a concert/ stage for cultural events and music festivals.





<b>To</b>	<b>Te Kauwhata Community Committee</b>
<b>Report title</b>	<b>Safety improvement works on Main Road Te Kauwhata</b>
Date:	3 May 2023
Report author:	Attinder Singh, Roothing Contract Manager
Authorised by:	Vishal Ramduny, Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships Manager

## **1. Purpose of the report**

### **Te Take moo te puurongo**

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For the Te Kauwhata Community Committee to resolve its approach for the safety improvements for Main Road.

## **2. Executive summary**

### **Whakaraapopotanga matua**

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At its meeting of 1 March 2023, the following changes were suggested by the Committee on the final draft plan for the safety improvements on Main Road.

1. THAT the speed cushions be removed from the proposed safety improvement works to the existing pedestrian crossing.
2. THAT the pedestrian crossing be moved to opposite New World (if there are no Waka Kotahi compliance requirements in doing this).

There are existing funds in the Council Roothing team's operational budget for safety improvements for the current crossing. Not having speed cushions installed is not recommended by the Roothing team.

Furthermore, the relocation of the pedestrian crossing to opposite New World is a matter for consideration in the 2024-2034 Council Long Term Plan. There is therefore no guarantee of funding for this.

Council's Roothing team needs certainty on how to proceed.

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### 3. Staff recommendations Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi

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That the Te Kauwhata Community Committee:

- a. approves the immediate safety improvements for Main Road be undertaken as part of the Roding team's operations budget (based on the 2021-2031 Long Term Plan) but advocate for a review of this (including the relocation of the pedestrian crossing with associated safety works) as part of Council's 2024-2034 Long Term Plan.
- b. acknowledges the technical advice provided by Council's Roding team to install speed cushions as part of safety improvements to Main Road but decides against having these installed thereby absolving Council of any risk associated with not having these speed reduction measures installed.

OR

- c. decides against any safety improvements to Main Road (as per the Main Road Safety Improvement Plan) in the short term but instead advocates for funding through Council's 2024-2034 Long Term Plan for the relocation of the pedestrian crossing and associated safety works. By doing this, the Committee acknowledges that there is no guarantee that budget will be allocated for the relocation of the pedestrian crossing (and associated safety works) through the 2024-2034 Long Term Plan.

### 4. Attachments Ngaa taapirihanga

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Attachment 1 - Proposed safety improvements to Main Road, Te Kauwhata

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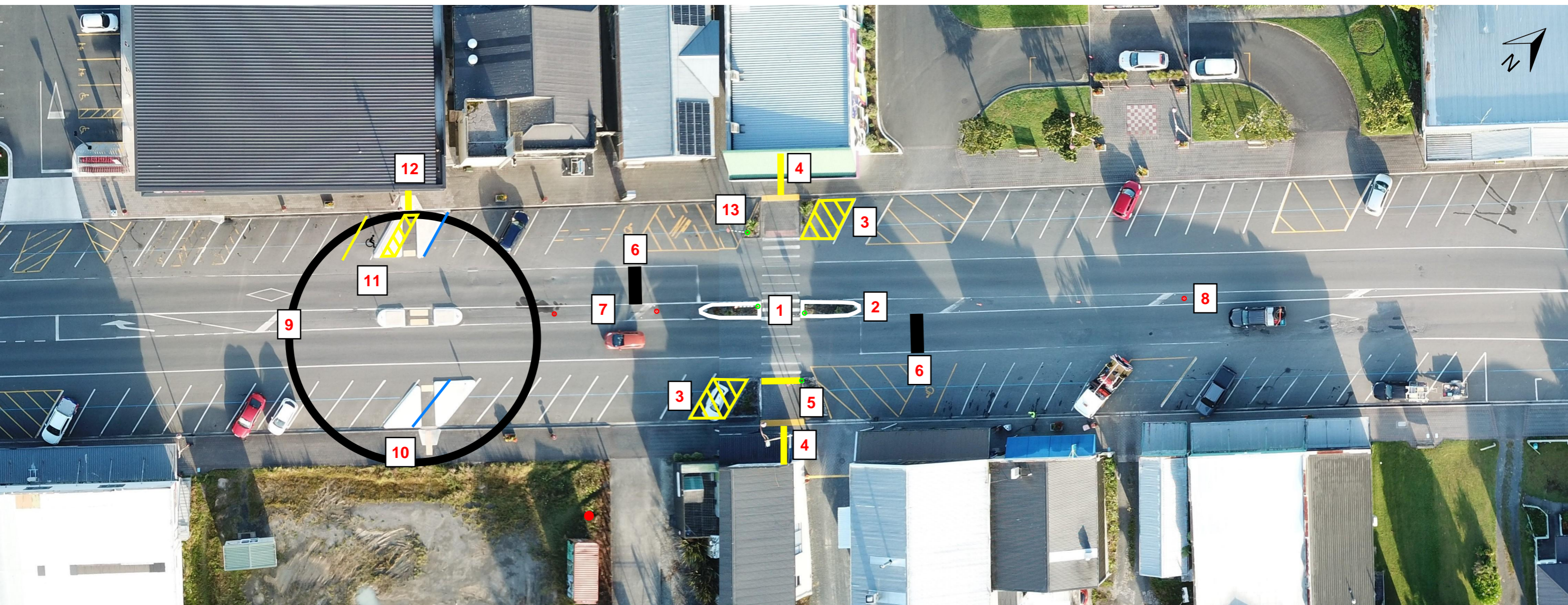
# TE KAUWHATA MAIN ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

## WHY ARE WE DOING THIS ?

1. The white bars on the pedestrian crossing has faded off and is starting to become hard for road users to see. Maintaining its visibility is important to ensure pedestrians can cross the road safely.
2. The median island at the pedestrian crossing looks dull. Another way to highlight the pedestrian crossing is to make this median island more visible.
3. The belisha discs on the pedestrian crossing poles were observed to be not facing oncoming traffic. It is important to face the traffic to highlight the pedestrian crossing to road users which gives them enough time to slow down in advance of the crossing.
4. There have been reversing incidents near the pedestrian crossing. Hence we will have to remove one car park each from both sides to avoid any future reversing into pedestrian incidents.
5. The pedestrian crossing does not have all the measures to help blind or vision impaired pedestrians to use this crossing effectively. This will be addressed here by adding tactile pavers.
6. Vehicles including heavy vehicles have been observed speeding along this section, which is unsafe for pedestrians wanting to cross the road. Hence measures will need to be taken to slow them down and improve pedestrian safety.
7. Safe hit bollards had been installed here previously to avoid trucks using the central flush median to unload goods which was an unsafe behaviour. These have become old and will need replacing to improve their visibility during night time.
8. The pedestrian refuge (in front of New World) installed south of the existing pedestrian crossing has been found to be relatively unsafe due to visibility constraints and reversing close calls. Hence this is being removed and usage of the pedestrian crossing will be encouraged as this is the safer type of crossing. By doing this, we get back some more parking spaces on both sides including a disabled car park.

**Overall, even though we are removing 2 x car parks, we are adding 3 x car parks including a disabled car park.**

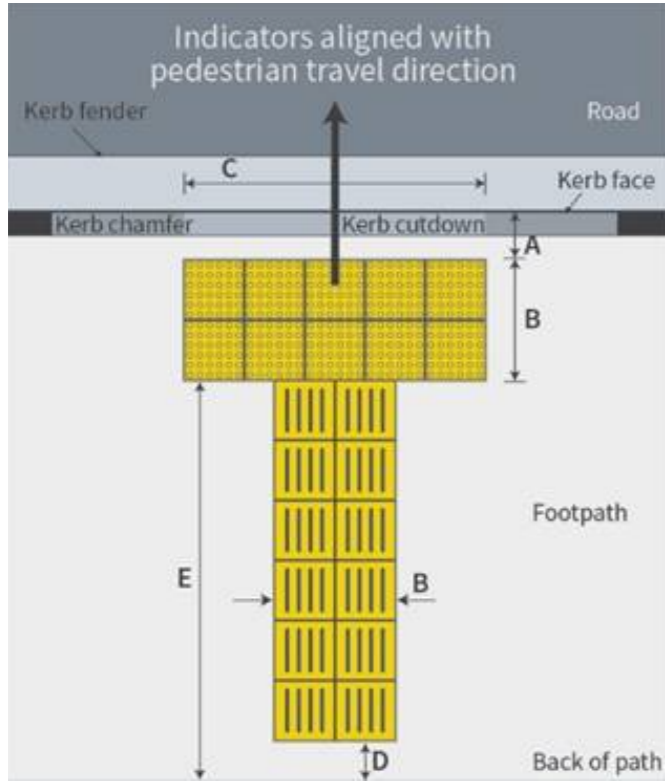
# TE KAUWHATA MAIN ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS



## NOTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH NUMBERS ON THE PLAN ABOVE

1. Re-mark white bars on pedestrian crossing to make it more visible.
2. Paint white around median island to make it more visible.
3. Remove 1st car parks on both sides adjacent to islands by installing yellow hatch. This is to avoid any reversing incidents into pedestrians using the crossing.
4. Install directional tactile indicators on both sides of pedestrian crossing to guide blind or vision impaired pedestrians.
5. Install warning tactile indicator at the start of the crossing on the east side to guide blind or vision impaired pedestrians.
6. Install speed cushions in advance of pedestrian crossing by atleast 5m to slow down traffic before they get to the pedestrian crossing. Install them where it does not interfere with cars reversing out of car parks.
7. Replace all old safe hit bollards with new ones.
8. Relocate the last safe hit bollard on the northern side of the crossing to allow trucks to turn out from the adjacent driveway.
9. Remove all concrete islands on both sides and the centre, warning tactile indicators within the black circle on the plan (in front of the New World shopping centre).
10. Reinstate 2 x standard angle car parks once the concrete islands have been removed. Also remove the kerb let down, directional tactile indicator and reinstate the footpath here.
11. Mark 1 x disabled angle car park, yellow hatching and 1 x standard angle car park. Retain the kerb let down on the west side so that disabled users can use it to access the footpath.
12. Remove the directional tactile indicator on the west side.
13. Realign belisha discs on all 4 pedestrian crossing poles so that they face approaching traffic.

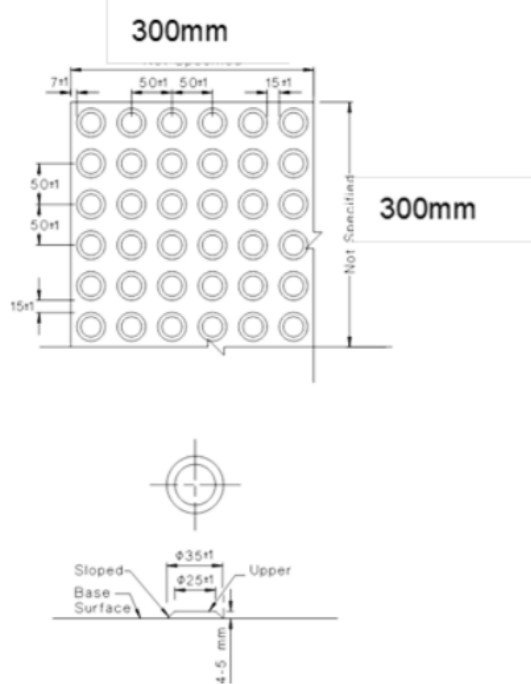
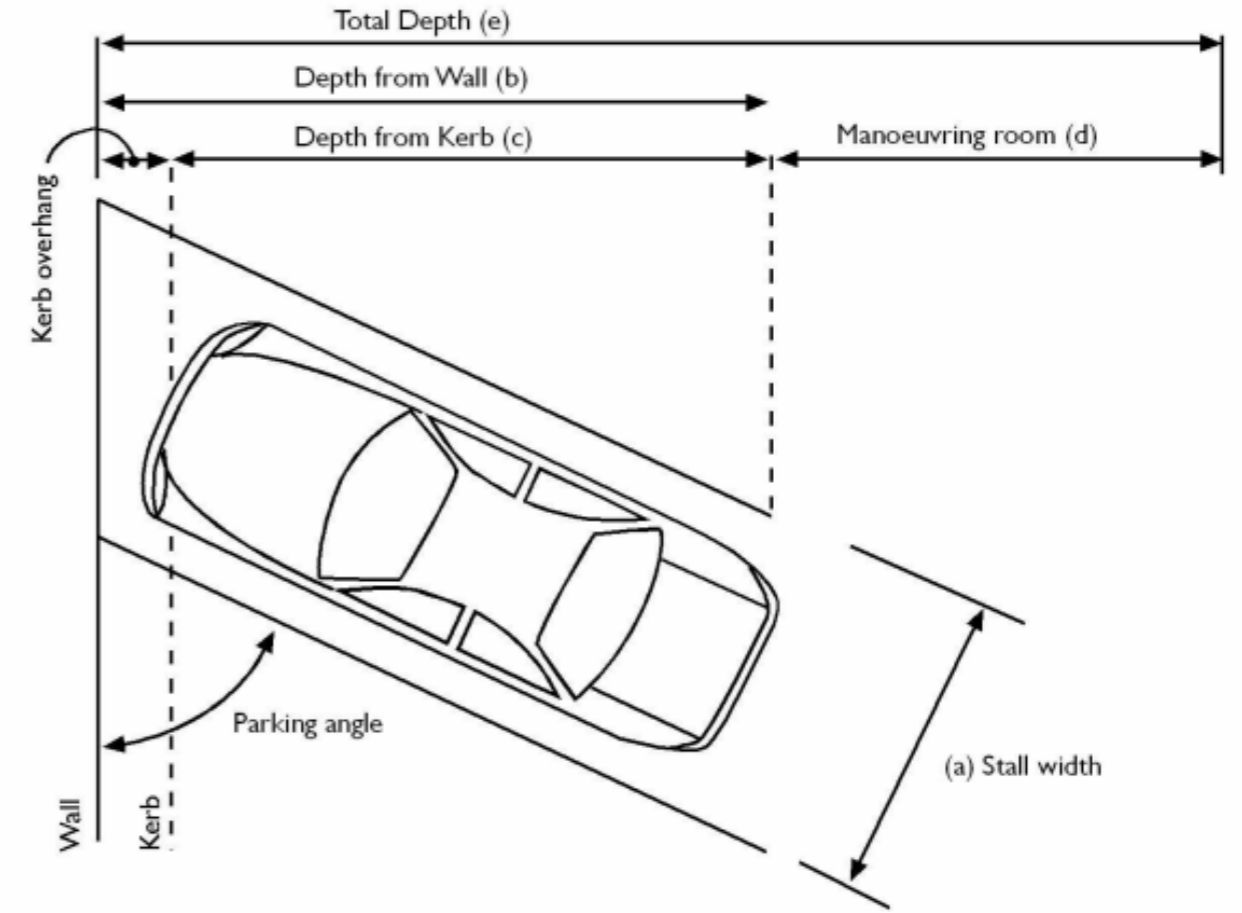
# SPECIFICATIONS



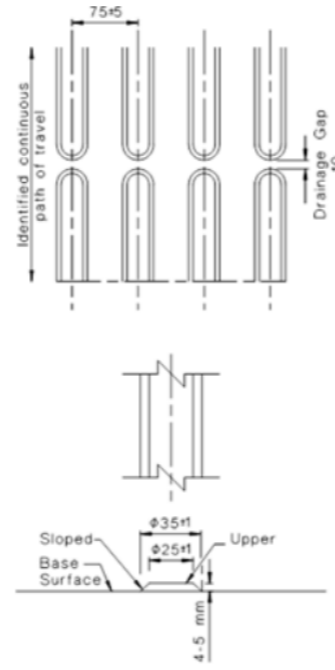
**Tactile indicator layout**



**Speed Cushion**  
Available in 2m or 3m sizes



**Warning indicators**



**Directional indicators**

Type of Parking	Stall Width (a)	Stall Depth		Aisle Width (d)	Total Depth (e)		
		From wall (b)	From kerb (c)		one row	two rows	
ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE IN METRES							
0°	Parallel	2.4	See note 1		3.5	5.9	8.3
30°	Nose in	min 2.4	4.2	4.0	3.5	7.7	11.9
45°	Nose in	min 2.4	4.9	4.5	3.5	8.4	13.3
60°	Nose in	2.4	5.4	4.9	4.5	9.9	15.3
		2.5			4.1	9.5	14.9
		2.6			3.5	8.9	14.3
		2.7			3.5	8.9	14.3
75°	Nose in	2.4	5.4	4.9	6.6	12.0	17.4
		2.5			6.3	11.7	17.1
		2.6			5.2	10.6	16.0
		2.7			4.6	10.0	15.4
90°	Nose in	2.4	5.1	4.6	8.7	13.8	18.9
		2.5			7.7	12.8	17.9
		2.6			7.0	12.1	17.2
		2.7			6.8	11.9	17.0

**Parking space dimensions**

<b>To</b>	<b>Te Kauwhata Community Committee</b>
<b>Report title</b>	<b>Early engagement feedback for the Freedom Camping Bylaw 2023</b>
Date:	3 May 2023
Report Author:	Jodi Bell-Wymer, Corporate Planner
Authorised by:	Sue O’Gorman, Customer Support General Manager

## **1. Purpose of the report**

### **Te Take moo te puurongo**

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The purpose of this report is to invite the Community Committee to provide early engagement feedback on the Freedom Camping Bylaw 2023.

## **2. Executive summary**

### **Whakaraapopotanga matua**

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Staff are seeking feedback from the Te Kauwhata Community Committee to help shape the formal consultation material that will open to the public for submission in the coming months. Specific information on reviewing and creating restricted and prohibited areas is sought in alignment with the relevant legislation in the Freedom Camping Act 2011 (The Act). The Community Board early engagement survey will close at 5.00pm Friday 19 May 2023.

## **3. Staff recommendations**

### **Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi**

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**That the Te Kauwhata Community Committee:**

- a. receives the Early engagement feedback for the Freedom Camping Bylaw 2023 report; and**
  - b. notes that the early engagement for the Freedom Camping Bylaw closes on 19 May 2023.**
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## 4. Background

### Koorero whaimaarama

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The Waikato District Council Freedom Camping Bylaw 2016 (**2016 Bylaw**) was due for review by 17 October 2021. The 2016 Bylaw still has legal effect under section 160A of the Local Government Act 2002 until it is automatically revoked on 17 October 2023 (unless replaced sooner).

#### What is freedom camping?

Freedom camping is defined in the Act as 'camping within 200 metres of a motor vehicle accessible area or the mean low-water springs line of any sea or harbour, or on or within 200 metres of a formed road or a Great Walks Track, using one or more of the following:

- › a tent or other temporary structure
- › a caravan, or
- › a car, campervan, house truck, or other motor vehicle.

It does not include staying at a camping ground, temporary or short-term parking of a motor vehicle, day trips, or resting or sleeping at the roadside to avoid driver fatigue'.

#### What the Freedom Camping Act 2011 allows through a Bylaw

The Act is permissive by default, which means its starting point is to allow freedom camping on all public land. The Act does recognise that some areas may not be suitable for freedom camping.

The Bylaw identifies areas where freedom camping is prohibited and restricted to manage how and where freedom camping can occur and what criteria is needed.

The Act states that councils can only prohibit or restrict freedom camping in an area if this is necessary to:

- protect the area e.g., to protect areas that are: environmentally sensitive/culturally sensitive.
- protect health and safety to keep freedom campers and other visitors to an area safe
- protect access to the area where the presence of freedom campers would block access or could damage infrastructure.

The Act also requires the Council:

- not to ban (or effectively ban) freedom camping on all the land we manage through our bylaw (blanket bans)
  - to be satisfied that any prohibitions or restrictions are the most appropriate and proportionate response to freedom camping demand in the area, and the problems it would cause if allowed
  - to have considered other ways to manage the problem, other than through a bylaw
  - to make a bylaw that is consistent with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990
  - to map or clearly describe each area covered by prohibitions or restrictions, so freedom campers have certainty about what rules apply.
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## 5. Discussion

### Matapaki

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Informal engagement using a social mapping tool was open to the public from 31 October 2022 to 27 January 2023. Staff are now seeking input from Community Boards for freedom camping areas that are currently restricted or prohibited in the Bylaw, as well as any additional areas the board may recommend. Both the current areas in the Bylaw and any new areas must be shown to comply with the legislation to 'Protect the area, access or health and safety' as discussed in section 4 of this report.

Staff invite the Community Board to provide feedback using Councils online engagement portal, Shape Waikato using this link:

<https://shape.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/EE-Freedom-Camping>

This feedback form will close at 5pm on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> of May 2023.

Staff would like the Committee to note that the area currently mapped at the Te Kauwhata Domain will be amended to the carpark area away from the Te Kauwhata Rugby Club as requested.

## 6. Next steps

### Ahu whakamua

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Once the Community Board feedback has closed, a workshop will be held with Councillors on 07 June to discuss the final consultation documents. Formal consultation approval will be sought at the 11 July Policy and Regulatory Committee meeting.

## 7. Attachments

### Ngaa taapirihanga

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Attachment 1 – Waikato District Council Freedom Camping Bylaw 2016

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<b>To</b>	<b>Te Kauwhata Community Committee</b>
<b>Report title</b>	<b>Discretionary Fund Report to 21 April 2023</b>
Date:	03 May 2023
Report Author:	Jen Schimanski Support Accountant
Authorised by:	Alison Diaz, Chief Financial Officer

## **1. Purpose of the report**

### **Te Take moo te puurongo**

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The purpose of this report is to update the Te Kauwhata Community Committee on the Discretionary fund spend to date, commitments and balance as at 21 April 2023

## **2. Staff recommendations**

### **Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi**

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**That the Te Kauwhata Community receives the report for the Te Kauwhata Discretionary Fund and the North Waikato Development Funding report (showing as a separate attachment).**

## **3. Attachments**

### **Ngaa taapirihanga**

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Attachment 1 – Discretionary Fund report to 21 April 2023

Attachment 2 – North Waikato Development Fund report to 21 April 2023

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**TE KAUWHATA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE DISCRETIONARY FUND REPORT 2022/23 (July 2022 - June 2023)**

As at Date: 21-Apr-2023

		GL	1.207.1704
<b>Commitments from Committee Meeting Minutes &amp; Other Information</b>			
<b>2022/23 Annual Plan</b>			4,198.00
<b>Carry forward from 2021/22</b>			30,612.00
<b>Total Funding</b>			<b>34,810.00</b>
<b>Income</b>			
<b>Total Income</b>			-
<b>Expenditure</b>			
			<i>excl GST</i>
04-Sep-19	Payment for playground equipment on the Village Green to Project	TKCC1909/04	3,727.75
24-Feb-23	Payment \$6,931.00 made to Frame Group invoice 11542 31/07/2022 for the design of the Blunt Rd Walkway	TKCC2012/03	6,931.00
01-Feb-23	Payment to the Te Kauwhata Community House for \$886.60 (including GST) as a contribution to the Splash and Dash event payment to The Te Kauwhata Community House Inv-0107.	TKCC2302/07	770.96
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			<b>11,429.71</b>
<b>Net Funding Remaining (excluding commitments)</b>			<b>23,380.29</b>
<b>Commitments</b>			
			<i>excl GST</i>
13-Feb-19	Further development of playgrounds, Re-allocate the \$5,000 which was initially allocated for the further development of playgrounds (as passed by resolution TKCC1902/04) for the development of the destination playground at the Te Kauwhata Domain	TKCC1902/04 TKCC2303/5	5,000.00
05-Aug-20	Te Kauwhata Community Committee commit \$5000.00 towards security cameras in Te Kauwhata.	TKCC2008/04	5,000.00
02-Dec-20	Commitment of \$10,000.00 be made to Blunt Road Walkway walkway extending from Saleyard Road to Council Reserve at Blunt Road'	TKCC2012/03	10,000.00
24-Feb-23	Less Payment \$6,931.00 made to Frame Group invoice 11542 31/07/2022	TKCC2012/03	(6,931.00)
<b>Total Commitments</b>			<b>13,069.00</b>

**NORTH WAIKATO DEVELOPMENT FUND (NWDF) REPORT 2022/23 (July 2022 - June 2023)**
**Te Kauwhata Allocation**
**As at Date: 21-Apr-2023**
**GL 1-999-8356**
**Resolutions from TKCC Committee Meeting Minutes & Other Information**
**2022/23 Annual Plan**
**Carry forward from 2021/22**
**404,516.60**
**Total Funding**
**404,516.60**
**Income**

2022/23 Interest earned July - February 2023

(42,433.38)

**Total Income**
**(42,433.38)**
**Expenditure**
**Total Expenditure**
**-**
**Net Funding Remaining (excluding commitments)**
**362,083.22**
**Commitments**

Date	Description	Resolution no	Amount
	Te Kauwhata Committee supports the use of \$150,000 from the North Waikato Development Fund (NWDF) to assist in funding the construction of the <b>Te Kauwhata Blunt Road Walkway</b> ; (Note: The Committee may not use all the \$150,000 commitment for the Blunt Road walkway).	TKCC2102/03	150,000.00
	Te Kauwhata Committee supports the use of a further \$150,000 from the North Waikato Development Fund (NWDF) to assist in funding <b>Te Kauwhata Domain lighting project and footpaths within the Domain</b> .	TKCC2102/03	150,000.00
03-Nov-21	(Note: that the Committee subsequently (at one of the meetings) <b>adjusted</b> this commitment to <b>\$100,000</b> as part of a discussion the Works and Issues report).		(50,000.00)
10-Aug-22	Te Kauwhata Community Committee allocated from the North Waikato Development Fund, \$25,000.00, towards the completion of the cricket nets Jason Marconi has this been completed? Email 23/03/2023	TKCC2208/03	25,000.00
<b>Total Commitments</b>			<b>275,000.00</b>
<b>Net Funding Remaining (Including commitments)</b>			<b>87,083.22</b>