



TCC Correspondence for 1 May – 28 May 2026

(all distributed to the Committee)

Inwards:

1. Lisa Laurence, TMCS: report for the June 2 meeting.
2. Lianne Van Den Bemd, WDC: Confirmation of attendance for the Community Voice & Choice Committee for the Rural Ward Fund Applicants – 2 June 11.15am – 12.30pm. Charles confirmed attendance & sent copy for the sign for the committee to view.
3. Brittany Dustin, WDC: Upcoming roadworks from Tamahere Events; Fieldays & Kirikiriroa Marathon (6 June) along parts of the Te Awa Path.
4. Rochelle Deane, WDC: Doesn't know if they can provide any collateral to support the Open Day planned for 14 June. Rebecca Laws' growth projections data previously provided remains current. The platform to share data with communities is not yet up & running. Charles has responded with a request to the Strategy & Growth Team to reconsider the opportunity to talk to ratepayers about future plans. Craig Hobbs (CEO) has no intention of prioritising WDC support for the voluntary work being carried out by TCC.
5. Rochelle Deane, WDC: Council Engagement Calendar – promotes upcoming events or engagements in our area.
6. Consult, WDC: Early Engagement – Activities in the road corridor. Open: 25 May. Closes: 26 June.
7. NZTA: Waikato state highway maintenance programme 22 May.
8. Brittany Dustin, WDC: Notification of accident on the SH1 & SH21 southbound exit near Tamahere – 22 May. Charles provided pictures. Brittany also updated the upcoming severe weather road slip repair programme.
9. **WDC Mayoral Awards:** Invitation to nominate people in the community who make a meaningful voluntary contribution to the Waikato District & their local communities. Nominations open: 22 May. Nominations close: 19 June. Charles has asked TCC to consider people in our community for suggestions at the next meeting. Sue Robertson made a suggestion which was supported by Leo & others. Jane Manson also suggested Jane Morgan.
10. Lianne Van Den Memd, WDC: Confirmation of the receipt of our Rural Ward Fund application and the council's date for assessing the fund requests (Community Voice and Choice Committee) – Tuesday 2 June.
11. Sarah Anderson, NZTA: Explained the reasons behind the changes made to the Hamilton Southern Links project. Charles circulated this response along with an outline of the impact these changes will make to the local community and connectivity across the river.
12. Gaylene Kanawa, WDC: Circulated Workshop material for Haedstart Pathway (being held following day – 20 May). Gaylene followed up following the meeting with slides presented by CEO.
13. NZTA: SH1 Tirau to Waiouru Accelerated Maintenance Project Update 19 May – community survey.
14. Aksel Bech, WDC Mayor: Supports reclassification of the Piazza area at Tamahere Recreation Park. Charles has asked for clarification regarding this development. Graham McAdam provided feedback on the difficulty of using the Piazza area for public events. Matt Horsfield (WDC) explained the reclassification from Local Purpose (Sewage) Reserve to Local Purpose (Community Use) Reserve. Cr Beavis also responded.
15. Gaylene Kanawa, WDC: The Council's Zero Harm Team are organising situational awareness training. TCC is invited to take part. Charles circulated the information & invited committee members to take part if interested.

16. Aram Goes, WDC: Request for Tamahere Forum to communicate updates on the Tamahere Drive upgrade as it progresses. Scott Mathias responded. Information was passed onto Scott from Arama with an expected update following the June TCC meeting.
17. Matangi & Tamahere Community Committees have both supported the Matangi Road upgrade - Mike Keir, WDC Cr: WDC Code of Conduct issue.
18. Waipa District Council: Update on the Cambridge Connections – Moving forward together project.
19. Don Law, Tamahere resident: Suggested areas of focus for Vision Tamahere 2075 Open Day. Peter Nation responded with the topics to be added to the Open Day.
20. NZTA: SH1 Tirau to Waiouru Accelerated Maintenance Project Update 13 May.
21. Lance Rapana: Setting up a get-together with Ngāti Haaua Tribal Trust (NHTT) including Charles.
22. Mike Keir, WDC Cr: Responded to Sue Beadle’s (Tamahere resident) email regarding the intersection of Woodcock & Tauwhare Roads.
23. Endine Dixon-Harris: invited Charles to a meeting for a discussion on the Tamahere Reserve & Maneapoto Paa site – Friday 15 May.
24. Andrew Corkill, NZTA: Confirmed outcome of the speed limit review of State Highway 26A (Morrinsville Road).
25. Sarah Loynes, HCC: Confirmed Morrinsville Road will reopen Friday 15 May. Charles congratulated Sarah & team on project completion.
26. Janine Monk, NZNFS: circulated Traffic Management Plan for during Fieldays (10-13 June)
27. Democracy, WDC: Sent out meeting & workshop dates.
28. Waikato Regional Council (WRC) newsletter: What we’re doing.
29. Leo Koppens, TMRT: H & S concern regarding near dead pine tree near the volunteers’ hut.
30. Aidan Collett, AC Computing: Offering reliable IT solutions for the community.
31. NZTA: Waikato state highway maintenance programme – 8 May 2026.
32. Tania Heke, WDC: Draft Community Outcome circulated for a focused workshop on 12 May.
33. Phil Harris, Tamahere resident & WRT Project Group Lead: Update following a WTR Project Group meeting. Outlined concerns expressed. Charles responded.
34. Jane Morgan, PFT: PFT TCC report for 5 May meeting.
35. Nic Ross, Hamilton Strips & Signs: Follow-up on Qu – 1179. Charles responded. An update was provided by Nic Ross.
36. Lisa Laurence, TMCS: Provided May report for TCC meeting.
37. Cr Beavis, WDC: Circulated Councillors’ report for 5 May meeting.
38. Tania Heke, WDC: LTP Workshop 5 May – circulated relevant documents. Feedback provided by David Whyte. Tania followed up with Power Point slides for the workshop.
39. NZTA: Waikato state highway maintenance programme – 1 May 2026.
40. Nicola Martin, NZTA: Notification of Waikato Expressway Cambridge section – Victoria Road interchange southbound ramp closure to early July (weather dependent)
41. Cr Keir, WDC: Stressed the importance of WDC registering concerns around the Fast Track Expressway project and WTR’s project.

Outward:

1. Charles: Sent the final version of the Tamahere Forum sign to Rochelle Deane for approval by council.
2. Charles: Finalised details of the Tamahere Forum signs to be produced by Hamilton Stripes & Signs.
3. Charles: Circulated FastTrack – what does it mean?
4. Sue Robertson: Circulated the Council’s Works & Issues report and Discretionary Fund Report for the June meeting.
5. Charles: Requested plans of Matangi Sports Club Centre from the 70’s from Antanas & Phil (Paua Architects). A DropBox Link was provided.

6. Charles: Update following Matangi Recreation Reserve steering committee meeting – progress Master Plan. Lance Rapana & Kati Rapana provided feedback.
7. Charles: Invited Craig Hobbs to a coffee catch-up (accepted by Craig)
8. Charles: Update from Charles regarding the Tauwhare, Matangi & Tamahere steering committee for the Matangi Reserve. He attached the Pookeno Sports Park Master Plan (Boffa Miskell). The steering committee is hopeful that a similar plan will be developed for Matangi Reserve & Tamahere Reserve.
9. Charles: Circulated notes following the sub-committee Vision Tamahere 2075 meeting 13 May. David Ralfe provided feedback and further explanation around his comments.
10. Charles: Circulated to TCC the design update for the Hamilton Southern Links route & encouraged clear communication through WDC. Suggested group presentations for the Open Day 14 June.
11. Peter Nation: Highlighted the extension of operating hours at Tamahere Unichem Pharmacy – suggests an inclusion in the Forum.
12. Charles: Circulated to committee article “Mistaken for Reality”. Maggie responded.
13. Charles: To Megan May (WDC) thanking council for fixing the footpath down Matangi Road while the “peanut roundabout” was under construction.
14. Lyn: Sent Tim van de Molen meeting minutes (from 5 May) & extended an invitation for him to attend our Open Day (14 June).
15. Charles: To Wendy & Scott regarding the upcoming Matangi Reserve Steering Committee group. meeting
16. Charles: To Mike & Crystal regarding the change to the District Plan to provide bat protection through the Tamahere gully network with no consultation. Leo responded holding DOC & WRC as the primary motivating groups to make this change happen. Maggie responded that the ‘ecological corridor’ is not widely understood by the Tamahere residents who are part of this corridor. Mayor Aksel & Cr Keir commented.
17. Charles: Application submitted for a funds grant from the Rural Ward fund – signage advertising the Tamahere Forum.
18. Charles: To Crs. Keir & Beavis regarding the plan change which placed a bat protection area over the network of gullies in the Tamahere area.
19. Charles: To Simon O’Connor regarding the Tamahere community & WDC.
20. Charles: Requested from WDC Democracy a website link to the documents relating to the Policy & Regulatory Committee meeting to be held 13 March as the file is very large.
21. Charles: To Rochelle (WDC) requesting information for inclusion in our Open Day. Rochelle responded.
22. Charles: VISION Tamahere – meeting information for 13 May meeting. We also need to plan the 14 June Open Day.
23. Charles: Requested assistance from the committee to sort out future growth in Tamahere information using AI.
24. Scott Mathias, Tamahere Forum: sent link to Crs Beavis & Keir indicating that their monthly report was now available on the Forum.
25. Sue Robertson: Suggested considerations from PFT for the Vision Tamahere 2075 project.
26. Tamahere Forum: circulated 3 May prior to 5 May meeting.
27. Maggie: An enquiry to Cr Keir as to what the intentions of pine tree clearance to a property on Fuchsia Lane. Charles responded. Cr Keir responded with the offer to “make some enquiries” – confirmed no consents have been lodged with council.
28. Peter Nation: Provided a list to the committee outlining his concerns relating to NZTA plans and their impact on the community and Expressway.