



Māori Standing Committee

Kia Reretahi Tātau

30 July 2024

Agenda

Notice of Meeting

An ordinary meeting will be held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough on Tuesday 30 July starting at 6.00pm. This meeting will be live-streamed and will be available to view on our [YouTube channel](#).

Membership of the Committee

Andrea Rutene (Chairperson), Karen Mikaera (Deputy Chairperson), Mark Fenwick, Dorothy Whittaker, Violet Edwards-Hina, Leonie Edwards, Te Rina Kaiwai, JD Smith, Whitu Karanua, Councillor Pip Maynard, Councillor Martin Bosley, and Mayor Martin Connelly.

Karakia Tīmatanga

*Tukua te wairua kia rere ki ngā taumata
Hai ārahi i ā tātou mahi
Me tā tātou whai i ngā tikanga a rātou mā
Kia mau kia ita
Kia kore ai e ngaro
Kia pupuri
Kia whakamaua
Kia tina! TINA! Hui eE! TĀIKI E!*

1. Extraordinary Business

2. Apologies

3. Conflicts of Interest

4. Acknowledgments and Tributes

5. Public Participation

- 5.1 John A – Papawai - Mangarara Stream Catchment Group
- 5.2 Warren Maxwell – Kuranui College Kapahaka
- 5.3 Memory and Lee Flutey – Waka Ama

6. Actions from Public Participation

As per standing order 15.4 following the public forum no debate or decisions will be made at the meeting on issues raised during the forum unless related to items already on the agenda.

7. Māori Standing Committee Minutes

Minutes for Approval: Māori Standing Committee Minutes of 30 April 2023 Pages 3 – 9

Proposed Resolution: That the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on 30 April 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

8. Chairperson Report

8.1 None advised

9. Reports from Chief Executive and Staff

9.1	Representation Review Report	Pages 10 – 25
9.2	Toro Atu Project Report	Pages 26 – 32
9.3	Waka Ama on Lake Ōnoke Recreation Reserve	Pages 33 – 38
9.4	Income & Expenditure Report	Pages 39 – 43
9.5	Financial Assistance Report	Pages 44 – 46
9.6	Action Items Report	Pages 47 – 49

10. Member Reports

10.1 Members Reports – Whitu Karauna – Deferred

Karakia Whakamutunga

*Unuhia Unuhia
Unuhia ki te uru tapu nui
kia wāteā, kia māmā
te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua
i te ara takatū
Koia rā e Rongo
Whakairia ake ki runga
Tūturu whakamaua kia tina. Tina!
Hui*



MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE
Minutes from 30 April 2024

Present:	Andrea Rutene (Chairperson), Karen Mikaera (Deputy Chairperson), Dorothy Whittaker, Violet Edwards-Hina, Leonie Edwards, JD Smith, Whitu Karauna, and Councillor Pip Maynard.
In Attendance:	Narida Hooper (Principal Advisor Māori), James O’Conner (Manager, Partnerships and Operations Group), Sarah Pearson-Coats (Project Officer), Nicki Ansell (Acting Manager Stakeholder Relations), Robyn Ramsden (Community Democracy Advisor),
Public Participation:	Prue Harawira-Smith, Georgia-May Hill, Nifo Ili and Marc van der Loo, John Hancock.
Conduct of Business:	This meeting was conducted in public in the Supper Room, Martinborough Town Hall, Texas Street, Martinborough between 6.02 pm and 8:04 pm and was live streamed on the Council’s YouTube Channel.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Members opened with a karakia.

1. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS (*YouTube streaming 1:44*)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/10) to add the Māori Standing Committee Appointment Report. It cannot wait until the next meeting as we need the new member to have access to the material before the next meeting. To be added to the agenda as item 9.7.

(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Cr. Maynard)

Carried

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/11) to add the financial assistance application from Georgia-May Hill which was referred to this Committee from the Assurance, Risk and Finance Committee on 24 April. This application cannot wait as the funding is required before our next meeting in July.

(Moved Cr. Maynard/Seconded Whittaker)

Carried

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/12) to add the financial assistance application from Featherston Rugby Football Club and Featherston Netball Club. This application cannot wait because the funding is required before our next meeting in July.

(Moved Cr. Maynard/Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

DISCLAIMER

Until confirmed as a true and correct record, at a subsequent meeting, the minutes of this meeting should not be relied on as to their correctness

2. APOLOGIES (YouTube streaming 3:58)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/13) to receive apologies from Te Rina Kaiwai, Councillor Martin Bosley, Mayor Martin Connelly.
(Moved Karauna/Seconded Smith) Carried

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (YouTube streaming 5:44)

Whitu Karauna and JD Smith are Hau Ariki Marae representatives and therefore have a conflict of interest with a grant application in Item 9.

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND TRIBUTES (YouTube streaming 6:18)

The Māori Standing Committee would like to acknowledge Aunty Dawn Aporo nee Rimene and Kahui Grey. We acknowledge our whānau who have passed over in recent months. Our Aroha to the whānau. We acknowledge Narida Hooper who has stood down from the Committee after 6 years' service work for te whanui o Wairarapa.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (YouTube streaming 8:38)

5.1 Hau Ariki Marae – Prue Harawira Smith

Sandi M Ngamoki, Les Roberts and Teresa Dawson came to tautoko Prue and their application for funding. Hau Ariki wants to replace mattresses as they are old, damaged and a fire hazard. New mattresses are important and a means to Manaaki their whānau and manuhiri. Seeking a good quality product and hygienic.

Members asked how many mattresses? 70 mattresses required. For thicker foam mattress. Not noisy.

<https://www.vendela.co.nz/shop/vendela-guest/dream-green/dream-green-guest>

5.2 Future Leaders Academy Programme – Georgia-May Hill

Georgia-May opens with a mihi and her pepeha. Student from Kuranui College, Georgia-May is 17yrs. She will attend the Future Leaders Academy, held in Vanuatu in July. 40 others from New Zealand, 10 from Australia and some from Vanuatu. Cost is \$4,600, has fundraised \$3,400. "Team building activities, new environment. Next year looking to study law, looking at local issues. This will help me build confidence to help my community and my school. Do school talks to encourage others to apply".

Members offered their congratulations. Encouraged to have our young people come and ask for assistance but also have shown initiative to help themselves.

[Pacific Student Leaders Programme | Future Leaders Academy \(flacademy.com\)](#)

DISCLAIMER

Until confirmed as a true and correct record, at a subsequent meeting, the minutes of this meeting should not be relied on as to their correctness

5.3 Featherston Rugby Football Club and Featherston Netball Club – Nifo Ili and Marc van der Loo

Positive uptake on sports this year. Sponsors have not been able to offer as much this year. Netball now have 8 junior teams, 2 senior team, 3 all up. Rugby senior team now covering to pay for uniforms. Under 6yrs, 4 more teams this year. So many kids coming through, lacking uniforms and sports gear. Are doing fundraising at the moment.

Members. Clarify \$7,000 for both codes. Encouraging that young people are interested in playing. Uniforms for game time. Commended for their efforts in the community.

5.4 Rapaki Hill – John Hancock

Mr John Hancock, presented to the MSC that in 1988 he purchased land in South Wairarapa, he wanted to name this land Rapaki Hill. Rapaki was a name from Banks Peninsula, which is where Mr Hancock originated. At the time he looked for approval from Richard and Teresa Aporo and said the land was blessed by George Hawkins. Members thanked Mr Hancock for his kōrero. Members also expressed to Mr Hancock that although he in good heart followed a process, kei te pai. Members felt he should also acknowledge that the particular whenua he named as Rapaki Hill already had a name. That he could also add that to his story of the land.

Members are eager to keep names correct.

Mr Hancock feels he has already been through the protocols.

6. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were not actions from public participation.

7. MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION *(YouTube streaming 25:52)*

Māori Standing Committee – 30 January 2024

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/14) that the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on 30 January 2024 be confirmed as true and correct. With corrections added.

(Moved Mikaera/Seconded Karauna)

Carried

Typos. Pg 4 Grey Hay Tikanga. Korowai. Names sp. Te Rina to follow up with. Pg 6 9.3 Wānanga matter arising around the policy.

ACTION 168: Matter arising: Mana whenua.

DISCLAIMER

Until confirmed as a true and correct record, at a subsequent meeting, the minutes of this meeting should not be relied on as to their correctness

8. CHAIRPERSONS REPORT *(YouTube streaming 30:04)*

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/15) to receive the Chairpersons Report.
(Moved Cr. Maynard/Seconded Whittaker) Carried

Karakia by Sandi Ngamoki asking to hear the grant decisions.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/16) to accept the resignation of Pae Tū Mōkai O Tauria representative Narida Hooper.
(Moved Rutene/Seconded Edwards-Hina) Carried

Chair Ms Rutene invites Ms Hooper to the table with her new potae.

9. REPORTS FROM CHIEFL EXECUTIVE AND STAFF

9.1 Pou Māori April 2024 Report *(YouTube streaming 36:59)*

MSC RESOLVED (MSC2024/17) to receive the Pou Māori April 2024 Report.
(Moved Mikaera /Seconded Smith) Carried

Ms Hooper spoke to her report. Enhanced Annual Plan, process of consultation, and submissions, and questions. Ms Hooper spoke specifically to question 2. Allocated quota of water for households is currently 350 m³, council propose reducing this to 250 m³, there will likely be an impact to marae, schools, and sports hub on town supply. MSC members are encouraged to make submissions to the EAP consultation document on behalf of their marae. MSC also agrees that a submission on behalf of the MSC should be submitted to request that all marae, schools, and sports hubs be exempt from the proposed reduced allocated quota of water. Or be noted as “special character” and receive exemption.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/18) to make a submission on the Enhanced Annual Plan seeking an exemption on water allocation for Marae, Schools, and Sports Hubs.
(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Cr. Maynard) Carried

9.2 Appointment to Assurance, Risk and Finance *(YouTube streaming 54:49)*

MSC RESOLVED (MSC2024/19) to: Receive the Appointments to Committees Report
(Moved Cr. Maynard/Seconded Edwards-Hina) Carried

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/20) the following:

That the Māori Standing Committee recommends to SWDC Karen Mikaera be appointed to the Assurance, Risk and Finance Committee.

That the Māori Standing Committee recommends to SWDC Whitu Karauna be appointed as the alternate to the Assurance, Risk and Finance Committee.

(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Smith) Carried

Members discussed getting funding information to people who need funding. Hoping to

DISCLAIMER

Until confirmed as a true and correct record, at a subsequent meeting, the minutes of this meeting should not be relied on as to their correctness

make the Funders Forum a regular event.

9.3 Lake Ferry Tender Information Report (YouTube streaming 1:01:48)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC2024/21) to receive the Lake Ferry Tender Information Report
(Moved Cr. Maynard /Seconded Karauna) Carried

Staff from the Partnerships & Operations Team spoke to their report. Council is now in a position to begin the Tendering process to find a new lessee for the Lake Ferry Holiday Park. Staff are seeking guidance and recommendations from the Māori Standing Committee that should be included in this process to ensure that mana whenua have every opportunity to feed into the process.

Committee members felt an induction by hapū for the new lessee be a part of the process, to inform the lessee of the significance of the site, who are tangata whenua, and whakapapa of the area. Ms Mikaera also expressed that a caveat be added to prevent any intensive or highrise building being done at the campsite.

Ms Hooper to continue working with Mr O'Conner, Ms Pearson-Coats and with the PSGE's (Post Settlement Governance Entities)

Action 175: request Pou Māori Narida Hooper continue working with Mr O'Conner on the Lake Ferry Tender Process.

9.4 Income & Expenditure Report (YouTube streaming 1:12:33)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC2024/22) to receive the Income and Expenditure Report
(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Mikaera) Carried

Members still seeking clarity of the 2024 – 2025 budget for the Māori Standing Committee. This funding is for projects and grants.

9.5 Financial Assistance Report (YouTube streaming 1:18:29)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC2024/23) to receive the Financial Assistance Report.
(Moved Whittaker/Seconded Cr. Maynard) Carried

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/24) to grant \$9,000 from the Whakapapa Fund to Hau Ariki Marae for the purpose of purchasing sleeping mattresses for the Marae.
(Moved Whittaker/Seconded Edwards) Carried

Abstentions: Karauna and Smith.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/25) to grant \$1,000 from the Tautoko Fund to Georgia-May Hill for the purpose of attending the Future Leaders Academy Programme.
(Moved Mikaera /Seconded Whittaker) Carried

DISCLAIMER

Until confirmed as a true and correct record, at a subsequent meeting, the minutes of this meeting should not be relied on as to their correctness

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/26) to grant \$5,000 from the Tautoko Fund to Featherston Rugby Football and Featherston Netball Club to support the purchase of training equipment and uniforms.

(Moved Karauna/Seconded Smith)

Carried

9.6 **Action Items Report** *(YouTube streaming 1:33:12)*

MSC RESOLVED (MSC2024/27) to receive the Action Items Report.

(Moved Edwards-Hina /Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

Actions

358&359 – planting cancelled due to high water levels. Expecting more information from Wellington Water.

147 – CEO asked for a meeting on the paper road. See Chair’s report for more detail.

149 – Went to Council on 27 March. There is a sign out there. Take this issue to the meeting with CEO. Request for SWDC Communications around the camping bylaw.

159 – request to invite Mr Carter to come back and update MSC on Emergency Management. Mr Carter and Ms Brown attended a meeting at Hau Ariki Marae. Trustees are working with SWDC.

155 – invite Community Youth Advisor to the Forum.

156 – still looking for a suitable venue. Feedback the Anzac Hall is cold and less friendly. Ongoing search for a suitable location.

2 – to be arranged on a separate date to the forum.

3 – Korowai. Storage at the Waihinga centre in a glass case.

4 – Clarity on Rapaki. Actioned.

5 – email sent to Far North. Actioned.

Māori Policy – Narida is updating the Māori Policy.

Māori Ward – when will a decision be made by the Council out of the three options? Due to be introduced in May. Reintroduction elections of Māori Wards. Three options; rescind of Māori wards, rescind for 25 and poll for 28 or to keep the status quo and poll in 25 for 28. Bill still going through the legislative process. Representation review is underway. Council will need to decide on preferred presentation. Poll may well be part of the 2025 local election. Current legislation active until replaced. Council have voted to have a Māori Ward in 2025.

Chair acknowledges this is the environment that we are in. Encourages to be proactive getting whānau on who they would want to support and to keep that focus. Council is welcoming input from the community.

9.7 **Māori Standing Committee Appointment** *(YouTube streaming 1:58:36)*

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/28) to receive the Māori Standing Committee Appointment Report.

DISCLAIMER

Until confirmed as a true and correct record, at a subsequent meeting, the minutes of this meeting should not be relied on as to their correctness

(Moved Whittaker /Seconded Edwards)

Carried

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2024/29) to accept the external appointment from Pae Tū Mōkai O Tauria to appoint Mark Fenwick to the Māori Standing Committee.

(Moved Whittaker /Seconded Smith)

Carried

10 MEMBERS REPORTS

Action 184 – MSC requested a newsletter or highlights from our committee meeting that can be used to report back to their respective marae and boards. Pou Māori to prepare this informal paper.

Members closed with a Karakia at 8:04 pm

Confirmed as a true and correct record.

.....Chairperson

.....Date

DISCLAIMER

Until confirmed as a true and correct record, at a subsequent meeting, the minutes of this meeting should not be relied on as to their correctness

Representation Review Update Report

1. Purpose

To provide the Māori Standing Committee with a brief update on the Representation Review Report that went to the Strategy Working Committee on 3 July 2024.

2. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the committee:

1. *Receive the Representation Review Report.*

3. Executive Summary

This report provides the Māori Standing Committee with the Representation Review Report that was presented to the Strategy Working Committee on 3 July 2024.

4. Appendices

Appendix 1 - Representation Review Report

Appendix 1 – Representation Review Report

Representation Review

1. Purpose

Council officers are seeking a clear steering from the Strategy Working Committee for their preferred option for the 2025 and 2028 representation arrangements for the South Wairarapa District local elections. This will allow officers to prepare the preferred option for adoption and subsequent consultation at the next Strategy Working Committee 31 July 2024.

2. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Committee:

- a) **receives** this report.
- a) **request** councillors to move forward on Option ____ for the development of the initial proposal and consultation document.
- b) **notes** that the initial proposal and consultation documentation will be presented at the next Strategy Working Committee meeting on 31 July 2024 for approval.
- c) **acknowledges** the timeframe required to meet the statutory timeframe as noted in the report.

3. Context

3.1 Legislative Requirements for Representation

[Part 1A, Local Electoral Act 2001](#) outlines the representation arrangements for territorial authorities. A Council may have not fewer than 6 members nor more than 30 members (including the Mayor), and may be divided into wards for electoral purposes. Each ward must elect at least one member of the territorial authority and the representation review must include a review of the boundaries areas.

[Section 19H outlines](#) that a territorial authority must determine by resolution:

(a) whether the members of the territorial authority (other than the mayor) are proposed to be elected—

- (i) by the electors of the district as a whole; or
- (ii) by the electors of 2 or more wards; or
- (iii) in some cases, by the electors of the district as a whole and in the other cases by the electors of each ward of the district; and

[Section 19J states](#) that a territorial authority must review Community Boards, related to fair and effective representation for individuals and communities,—

- (a) there should be communities and community boards; and
- (b) if so resolved, the nature of any community and the structure of any community board.

3.2 Representation Review Guidelines¹

Every six years territorial authorities are legislatively required to consider whether effective representation for communities of interest is best achieved by way of elections held at large, wards, or a mix of both. Considerations will include:

- the accessibility, size, and configuration of the district
- the existence of community boards
- the electoral system
- whether Māori wards have been established
- the number of members in each ward, including whether there are a mix of single-member and multi-member wards
- the wider statutory role of local authorities encompassing overall community well-being, sustainability and the interests of future generations
- the diversity of the population and the geographical location of particular communities of interest

On [2 August 2023 Council](#) discusses the electoral system for the 2025 and 2028 local elections and decided to remain with the status quo. The electoral system will be first past the post (FPP).

On [22 November 2023 Council](#) resolved to establish Māori Wards in the South Wairarapa District for the 2025 and 2028 Triennium (*DC2023/175*).

4. Discussion

Work began on the Representation Review earlier this year, with the following informal engagement having taken place.

During the Enhanced Annual Plan process in April 2024, Representation Review flyers were included at the drop-in and community engagement sessions. A survey was pushed out through social media late May/early June to collect further information and our Community Boards have been provided with information and encouraged to seek feedback.

There are also elements of representation collected as part of the Perception Survey which takes place annually.

Workshops were held on [28 February](#), [1 May 2024](#), and [26 June 2024](#) for Elected Members to discuss the representation review work, options and recent ward and population data.

4.1 Population Estimates

The below is the population data, based on our current ward allocation. Representation must be +/- 10% ratio for each councillor.

General Wards	Māori Electoral Population	General Electoral Population
Greytown Ward	180	3,880
Featherston Ward	350	3,320
Martinborough Ward	370	3,780
TOTAL	900	10,980

¹ [Representation-Review-Guidelines-2023-v2.pdf \(lgc.govt.nz\)](#)

1. These estimates are provisional and subject to revision. They are consistent with the subnational population estimates released in October 2023.
2. Boundaries at 1 January 2023.

SWDC must retain minimum of **7** ward councillors to retain **1** Māori member.

4.2 Reflections from the 2023 Perception Survey

In 2023, the combined percentage of respondents in the perception survey, who somewhat agreed or strongly agreed that there were adequate opportunities to have a say in Council activities was 26% (18% somewhat agree, 8% strongly agree). This was a significant increase from 2022, when the total agreement was 15% (13% somewhat agree, 2% strongly agree), but a significant decrease from 2021, when it was 36% (26% somewhat agree, 10% strongly agree).

The total percentage of respondents who somewhat disagreed or strongly disagreed with the statement in 2023 was 40% (20% somewhat disagree, 20% strongly disagree). This is a decrease from 2022, when the total disagreement was 60% (28% somewhat disagree, 32% strongly disagree), but an increase from 2021, when it was 34% (20% somewhat disagree, 14% strongly disagree).

Community Board Effectively Advocating on Behalf of Community

Year	Strongly Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Neutral	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree
2023	16%	17%	29%	26%	12%
2022	26%	22%	24%	21%	7%
2021	16%	22%	26%	25%	12%

Mayor and Councillors give a Fair Hearing to Residents Views

Year	Strongly Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Neutral	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree
2023	26%	18%	30%	20%	6%
2022	50%	24%	15%	8%	2%
2021	22%	20%	23%	23%	11%

Full details of the 2023 Perception Survey were presented to Council on 2 August 2023: [Council Meeting 2 August 2023 - SWDC SWDC](#)

4.3 Reflections from Enhanced Annual Plan

During the drop-in sessions at the Enhanced Annual Plan the Representation Review was discussed included conversations around “at large” representation and support for the Community Boards.

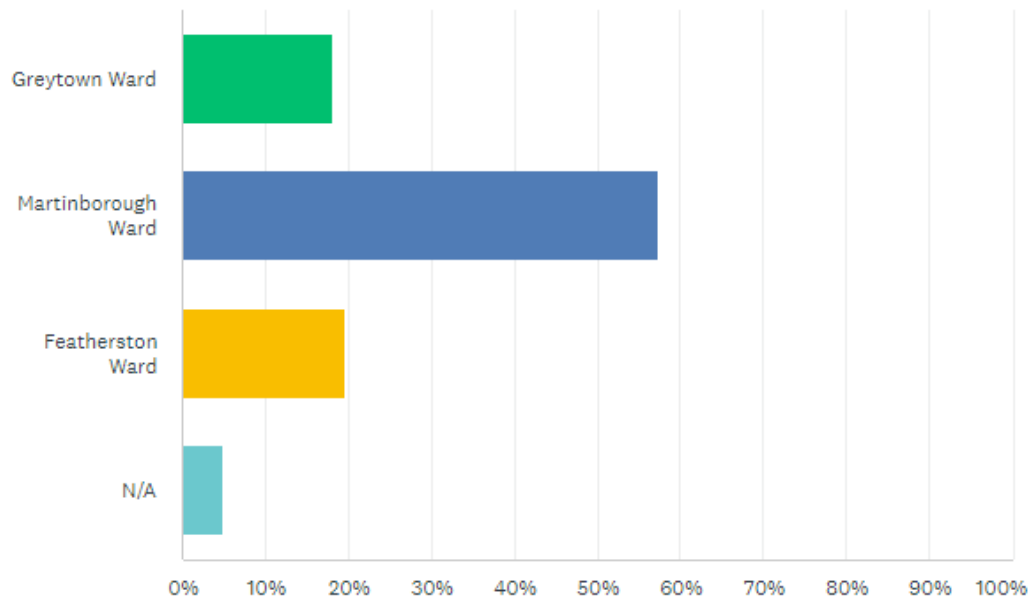
4.4 Reflections from Representation Review Survey

An online survey for the Representation Review was run through SurveyMonkey 23 May – 6 June 2024. During this time, we also received several emails with additional feedback.

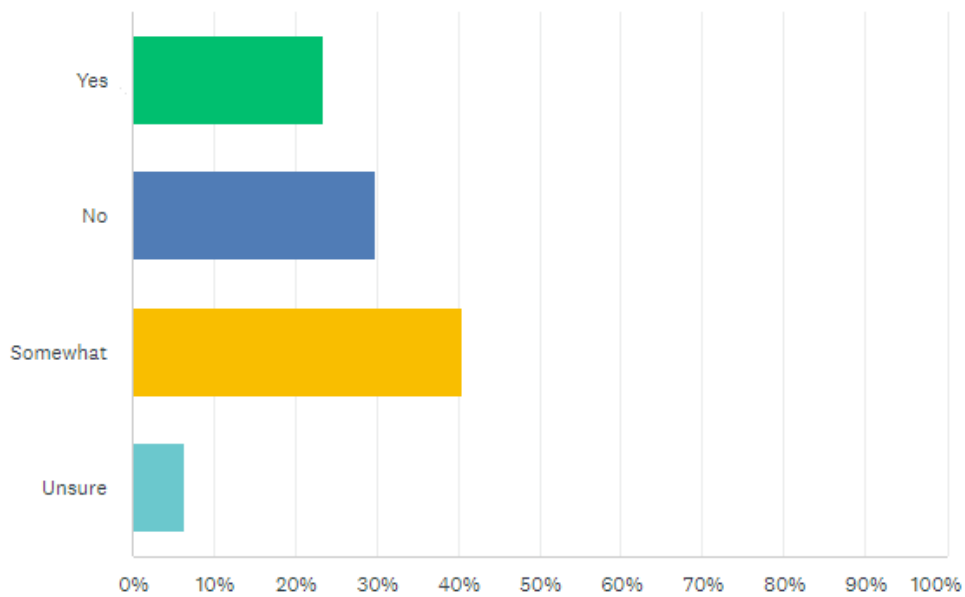
All surveys and email submissions have been sent to the Councillors as part of the Representation Review workshop which took place 26 June 2024.

61 people engaged with the survey. All answered the questions of which ward they currently live or own property in. Most of those who filled out the survey (35) are from Martinborough, followed by

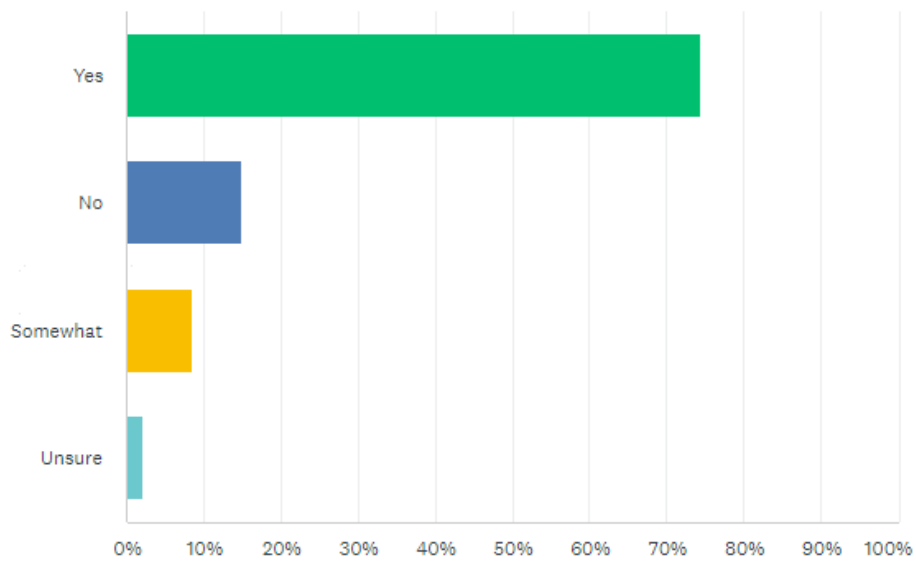
similar representation from Greytown (11) and Featherston (12). Therefore, it is important to note that this survey has a higher percentage of representation from Martinborough.



The results related to representation at the Council table were split 23.4% yes and 29.79% no, with 40.43% feeling somewhat represented.



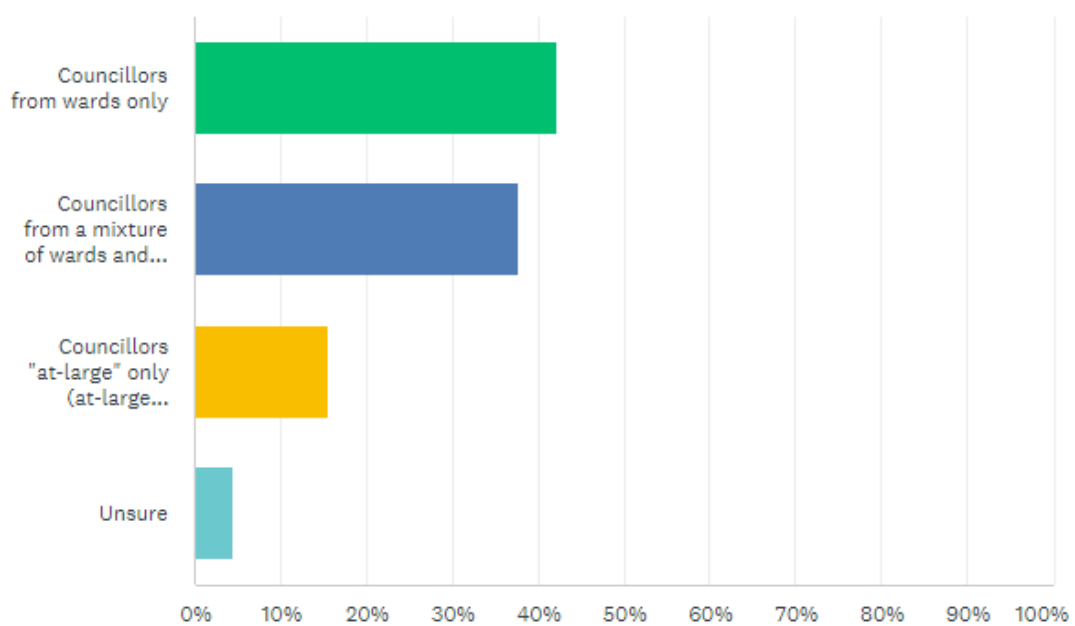
47 people responded online to the question: **Do you think the current wards and boundaries reflect where your property is?**



Yes	35	74.47%
No	7	14.89%
Somewhat	4	8.51%
Unsure	1	2.13%

Comments included: *our address is Featherston and yet we are forced to vote under Martinborough.*

45 people responded to the question: **How do you think Councillors should be elected?**

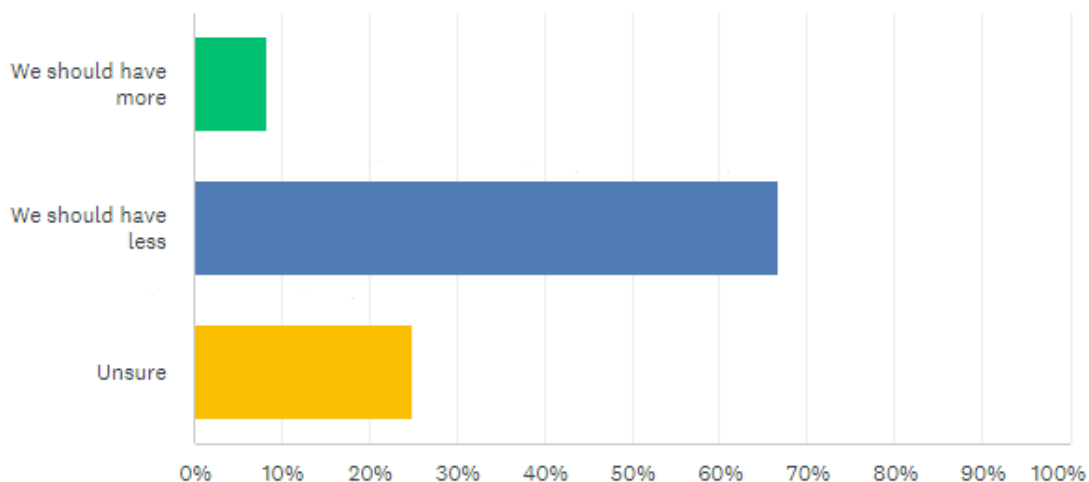


Councillor from ward only	19	42.22%
Mixture of ward and at large	17	37.78%
At large only	7	15.56%
Unsure	2	4.44%

Comments included:

- *I would be interested in Councillors being elected at large and that they focus on the district as a whole more than small interest groups and create unnecessary division between the towns and rural areas of the district. Having members stand "at large" means that I could cast my votes for very competent members residing outside my "ward" over a less competent group standing in my ward. As members have a responsibility to represent the whole district on council, it sets up some conflict and possible confusion when they state they are acting on behalf of a town or part of the community. I should be able to vote for the best candidates regardless of where they stand.*
- *3 distinct areas should be represented*
- *2 councillors from each ward with 3 x at large councillors and one Mayor*
- *Thinking of ourselves as a district would seem a positive step forward whilst not losing our individual town character - roles of CB made specific to capture local community needs?*

36 people answered the question: **Do you think we should have more, fewer or the same number of elected members?**



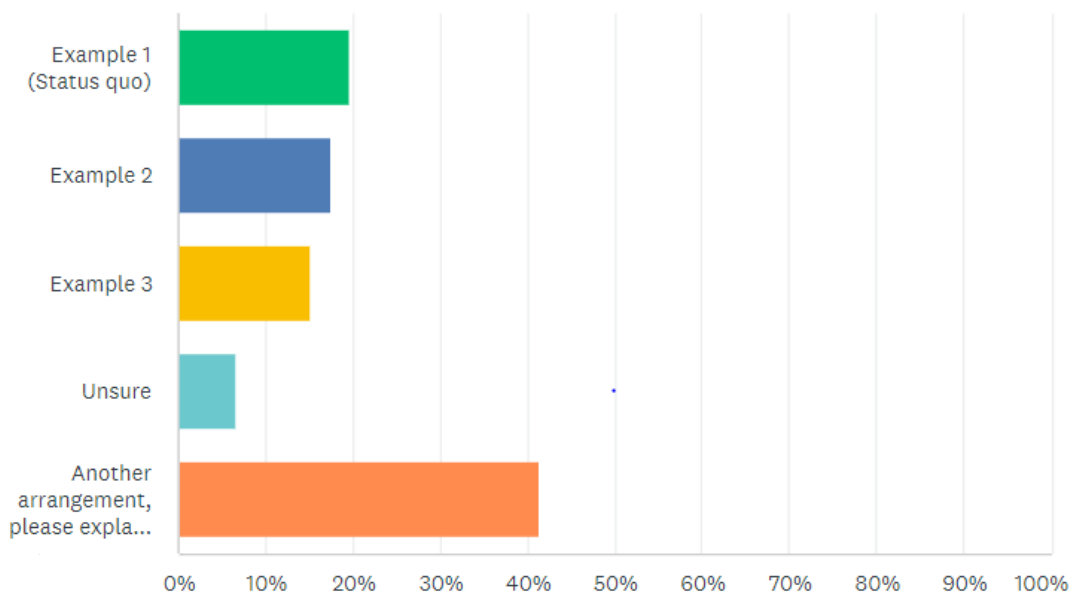
We should have more	3	8.33%
We should have less	24	66.67%
Unsure	9	25%

Comments included:

- *Less members means pay per member could increase and may be more reflective of the hours of work our elected members put in*
- *Status quo re total numbers*

- *The current representation system can result in weak governance. With a small population, Council and elected members are at risk of becoming overly collegial and parochial. While the SWDC exists, there need to be at least seven elected members - with at least three members elected at large. Hopefully, that would encourage elected members to engage in decisions that do not affect personal community of interest Also, you need enough to ensure some are retiring and some are coming through. I agree that remuneration feels low compared to the learning curve required of new Councillors but more councillors mean more representation for the community. Also, there are intrinsic rewards for serving the District*

46 people answered the question: **If you would like to see an alternate arrangement for South Wairarapa, indicate your preference from the examples above:**



Example 1 (status quo) 3 Cr per ward + Māori ward	9	19.57%
Example 2 2 Cr per ward + Māori Ward	8	17.39%
Example 3 2 Cr per ward + Māori Ward + 2 Cr at large	7	15.22%
Unsure	3	6.52%
Other	19	41.30%

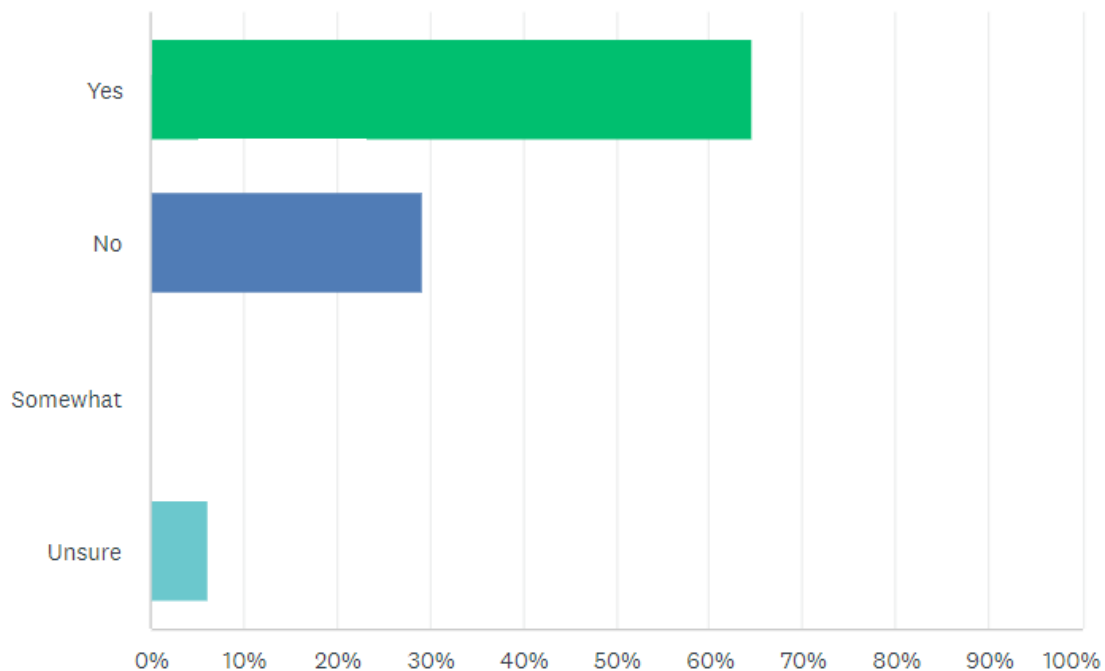
Comments for other included:

- *Between 8 to 10 "at large" only. This will provide governance of the region as a whole rather than the current situation of three separate wards, sometimes competing against each other for limited resources and unable to look at the bigger picture.*

- *One council. Elected by total vote across the entire district, thereby all councillors are responsible to the WHOLE district rather than a proportion of it as per the current model (and those proposed above.)*
- *Remove the wards and community Boards. Eight councillors at large is all that is required with a tiny population and is still far greater per person than most councils. Keeping it in wards and only voting for those in a single ward lowers the quality of representation.*
- *Less councillors but more at large representing what's best for whole district - maybe max 6 at large, 1 rural and 1 Māori*
- *Increase councillors and drop community boards with the cost saving this will pay for another councillor. Community Boards are a waste of money*
- *One from each ward and 6 at large plus the Māori rep.*
- *Rural ward.*

48 people answered the question: **Should we have Community Boards.**

Noting, the 48 responses include at least five responses from current community board members.



Yes	31 (including 5 from current CB members)	64.58%
No	14	29.17%
Unsure	3	6.25%

5. Changes to the Local Electoral Act Provision for Māori Wards

The Local Government (Electoral Legislation and Māori Wards and Māori Constitution) Amendment Bill was introduced on 20 May 2024, reintroducing provisions for binding polls on the establishment of Māori wards/constituencies and providing transitional arrangements for councils that have resolved to establish Māori wards/constituencies since 2020 without holding a poll.

On [22 November 2023 Council](#) resolved to establish Māori Wards for the 2025 and 2028 Triennium (DC2023/175). South Wairarapa District current population on the Māori Electoral role allows for one Māori ward, at large, across the district.

For SWDC, transitional arrangements proposed in the Bill would require the Council to either rescind the decision to establish Māori wards; or hold a binding poll alongside the 2025 local elections to decide whether Māori wards should continue.

The Strategy Working Committee cannot make any decision on these arrangements until the Bill is enacted, which is expected to be in late July. This report is prepared on the basis that the SWDC will continue with its representation review as currently in progress.

6. Options

Strategy Working Committee is required to adopt the preferred representation for the 2025 & 2028 local elections **by 31 July 2024**.

- Noting that SWDC may have no fewer than 6 members nor more than 30 members (including the Mayor).
- Noting that SWDC must retain a minimum of **7** ward councillors to retain **1** Māori member. 1 Māori Ward will sit at large across the district.
- Noting that representation must be +/- 10%.

When resolving its initial proposal, each local authority must act in accordance with the requirements of the:

- Local Electoral Act 2001, and
- the consultation and decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002.

Appendix 1: Representation Options for 2025 and 2028 local elections to be tabled at the Strategy Working Committee meeting 3 July 2024.

7. Consultation and engagement implications

Following adoption at the Strategy Working Committee on 31 July 2024 for the preferred representation in 2025 and 2028, SWDC will go out for consultation under the [Special Consultative Procedure](#) between 5 August – 8 September 2024.

Public notice of the initial proposal (which includes consultation opening) is required within 14 days of the resolution (no later than 8 August 2024).

If SWDC receives no submissions during the consultation process, the proposal becomes the basis for election at the next triennial election and the council gives public notice accordingly.

If submissions are received, Council must consider these and may change its proposal as a result. Hearings are currently scheduled for 18 & 19 September 2024 and deliberations on 2 October 2024.

If a council receives any appeal or objection following its final proposal it must refer its proposal to the Local Government Commission for determination along with the appeals and objections received by 20 December 2024.

8. Next Step

Council officers request the Strategy Working Committee provide clear direct to Council officers on their preferred option for representation in the 2025 and 2028 local elections. For officers to prepare the initial proposal and consultation documents for adoption on 31 July 2024.

[In accordance with section 19L of the Local Electoral Act 2001](#) a territorial authority or regional that makes a resolution under [section 19H](#), [19J](#), [19J](#), or [19JAA](#), that territorial authority must, as soon as practicable after making that resolution,—

(a) send a copy of that resolution to—

- (i) the Commission; and
- (ii) the Surveyor-General; and
- (iii) the Government Statistician; and
- (iv) the Remuneration Authority;

9. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Representation Options for 2025 and 2028 (to be tabled)

Contact Officer: Nicki Ansell, Lead Advisor, Policy & Projects.

Reviewed by: Paul Gardner, Group Manager Corporate Services

Appendix 1 – Representation Options for 2025 and 2028 (to be tabled)

Appendix 1 – Representation Options for 2025 and 2028 (to be tabled)

During the Council’s Representation Review workshop on 26 June 2024, discussions were held around representation options ahead of the SWC meeting 3 July. This workshop was attended by a Representation Review expert from electionz.com to help answer questions from elected members.

1. Wards

The general discussion from the workshop included support for the current wards of Featherston, Martinborough and Greytown, acknowledging their unique character and needs. Although mention was made of larger geographical areas (such as Martinborough) it is important to note that the Representation Review relates to population data rather than geographical areas and our three wards are currently evenly split with an average electoral population of 3,600 per ward. All options below include wards for Featherston, Martinborough and Greytown.

2. Number of Councillors

Support for the current number of councillors was endorsed at the representation review workshop, rather than reducing the total number of councillors for 2025. This relates to workload and complexity of issues ahead for South Wairarapa. All options below are for either 9 or 10 councillors in total. With Option A having the same number of councillors for the 2025 local election.

3. At Large

Discussion at the workshop included At Large representation, which is when a councillor represents across the district rather than by wards. Initial feedback indicated community support for this option to help with governance across all of South Wairarapa. Discussion by councillors indicated more support for At Large than not. Option A includes At Large representation. Council officers have recommended Option A, and At Large representation for the 2025 and 2028 triennium, due to the initial community support and the general support from councillors.

4. Community Boards

The community feedback to date has supported Community Boards. However, the council is split due to their effectiveness and may support Community Boards for the next triennium should their role be enhanced. General discussion included a lack of individuals standing for these roles, with Featherston being the only Community Board that had more than three people standing at the last local election, the cost of running Community Boards, and if that representation can be seen elsewhere. Community Boards are a topic for discussion, and therefore it would be good to

include any considered changes in the initial option to allow further feedback to councillors through the consultation process.

A change to Community Boards is in both Option A and Option C.

5. Rural Wards

A lot of discussion was around the introduction of one or more rural wards. The council feels the rural voice is an important voice and consideration and discussion was given to a rural ward for 2025 and 2028. A rural advisory group was raised as an option and received greater support from councillors than an introduction of a rural ward at this time.

Therefore, a Rural Advisory Group has been included in Option A.

Options and Considerations to be tabled

Option A: Change (Recommended Option)

This is our recommended option as it includes At Large Representation, Rural Advisor Group and the same number of councillors. It is also our preferred option as it retains the current ward structure, while adding change that is clear, easy to understand and reflects forward-looking governance.

Ward	Number of Councillors	Electoral Population Data	Representation per Councillor
Greytown Ward	2 Councillors	3,880	1,940
Featherston Ward	2 Councillors	3,320	1,660
Martinborough Ward	2 Councillors	3,780	1,890
Māori Ward	1 Councillor	900	900
At Large	2 Councillors		
Total	9 Councillors	11,880	

Consult on no Community Boards	Rural Advisory Group established
--------------------------------	----------------------------------

Option B: Stay the same (Status Quo)

Ward	Number of Councillors	Electoral Population Data	Representation per Councillor
Greytown Ward	3 Councillors	3,880	1,293
Featherston Ward	3 Councillors	3,320	1,107
Martinborough Ward	3 Councillors	3,780	1,260
Māori Ward	1 Councillor	900	900
Total	10 Councillors	11,880	

Martinborough Community Board	3 elected members
Greytown Community Board	3 elected members
Featherston Community Board	3 elected members

Option C: Rural Ward (or something similar)

Ward	Number of Councillors	Electoral Population Data	Representation per Councillor
Greytown Ward (change to boundary lines)	2 Councillors	?	?
Featherston Ward (change to boundary lines)	2 Councillors	?	?
Martinborough Ward (change to boundary lines)	2 Councillors	?	?
Greytown rural ward	1 Councillor	?	?
Martinborough rural ward	1 Councillor	?	?
Featherston rural ward	1 Councillor	?	?
Māori Ward	1 Councillor	900	900
Total	10 Councillors	11,880	

Consult on no Community Boards	
--------------------------------	--

On 3 July we are seeking direction from the Strategy Working Committee for their preferred option for consultation with the community in August. On 31 July, the Strategy Working Committee will need to adopt their initial proposal for representation, SOP and consultation document. With consultation opening 5 August 2024.

Contact Officer: Nicki Ansell, Senior Advisor Policy & Projects.
 Reviewed by: Rob Thomas, Manager Stakeholder Relationships

Pae tū Mōkai o Tauira Report

1. Purpose

To provide the Māori Standing Committee with an update on the Toro Atu project - phase 2. This report aims to ensure that MSC members are informed of the status of the project and proposed new timeline.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Committee:

1. *Receive the Pae tū Mōkai o Tauira Report.*
2. *Request the MSC members endorse the new timeline for completion of phase 2.*
3. *Request Narida informs MSC members as milestones are met.*

2. Executive Summary

Project Toro Atu – unveiling of Pou Nukupewapewa in Featherston at Clifford Square, Matariki 2023. The Pou Nuku Pewapewa was unveiled with karakia, and surrounded by uri from Ngati Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and Rangitane o Wairarapa, karanga rung out across the morning sky and Nuku Pewapewa’s tewhatewha made from resin illuminated in the darkness. The event was video recorded, phase 2 is the recording of a further two videos and video footage of Tauwharenikau River and Bridge. I will make all efforts to meet the outcomes of the project in the new proposed timeline.

3. Background

In July 2023, I presented a proposal to MSC to request funding for phase 2 of the Toro Atu project (see appendix). It was hoped that phase 2 would be completed in time for Matariki 2024. However, due to busy schedules of all parties involved in phase 2, I was not able to get the project to a conclusion.

4. Discussion

4.1 New timeline for completion of phase 2. Is by Matariki 2025.

Through Sept and Oct 24, dates will be scheduled for the two other videos to be recorded and extra footage will be shot at same time.

Nov to Dec 24, editing to be done by Hoofcon, videos including the unveiling video, will be uploaded and ready to go live on a youtube platform. Stainless steel QR will be created by Hoffcon ready to be mounted to the plinth of Pou Nuku Pewapewa.

June 25 Stainless steel QR code will be mounted to the plinth of pou Nuku Pewapewa and the youtube videos will also go live, in time for Matariki. Completion will be socialised through facebook.

4.2 Potential Discussion and Consideration Points

Has there been a price increase since the funding application to MSC in July 2023 was done? I am waiting for a reply from Hoffcon and will be able to answer at forum.

4.3 Action Points

No actions at this stage.

5. Workshops

No workshop required

6. Appendix

Appendix 1 – My report to MSC July 23

Contact Officer: Narida Hooper, Pou Māori Advisor

Reviewed By: Rob Thomas, Manager, Stakeholder Relationships

Appendix 1 –

He aha te kai a te rangatira? He kōrero, he kōrero, he kōrero.

What is the food of leaders? It is communication.

E mihi ana ki a koutou kātoa, kua huihui mai nei i tēnei pō.

Ki kōrero mai tātou, he kaupapa tēnei.

Ngā mihi nui

Karakia - timatanga

Kia hora te marino,

Kia whakapapa pounamu te moana,

He huarahi ta mātou, i te rangi nei

Aroha atu, Aroha mai

Tātou i a tātou katoa

Hui e, tāiki e

Tēna koutou

Tēna koutou

Tēna tātou, katoa

Applicant

Narida Hooper – secretary

Pae tū Mōkai o Tauria Incorporated Society

23 North Soldiers Settlement Road,

Feathertston

Email: paе.tu.mokai.o.tauria@gmail.com

Mob: 021314180

Background

In 2020, the Greytown Trails Trust (GTT) presented to the Māori Standing Committee (MSC) a plan to build a swing bridge over the Tauwharenikau River adjacent to the existing rail bridge, joining Pae tu Mokai - Featherston and Greytown. They asked for a letter of support, which the committee of the time voted to do so. Later GTT engaged with Pae tū Mōkai o Taurira (PtMoT) - hapori whanui rōpū from Featherston for further support. GTT had also started engagement with Papawai haukainga and the opportunity to now speak into a dual narrative was born. Here, we could acknowledge whakapapa of South Wairarapa, a purakau and a tipuna whilst also telling the rail story. This would culminate in the longest swing bridge in the Southern Hemisphere being erected, and the commissioning of a pou to acknowledge Ngati Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and Rangitane o Wairarapa famed tipuna **Nuku Pewapewa**.¹

Mānawatia a Matariki

This Matariki Day, July 14th the pou of Nuku Pewapewa will be unveiled. He will be mounted on a plinth, facing toward Wairarapa Moana he will adorned in a kakahu prepared by Papawai haukainga and he will be unveiled with karakia, waiata and uri surrounding him. The event is named by Paora Ammunson and aptly called “Toro Atu” meaning to stretch forth, stretch out and extend. The Pou Nuku Pewapewa will mark the start of the cycle trail that will reach forward to traverse land and cross rivers. This will be an historic event and worthy of being recorded for future generations.

Phase 1. With the support of PtMoT, I made an application to Manatū Taonga – Ministry for Culture & Heritage for funding from Te Ahunga Nui fund to support the unveiling of Pou Nuku Pewapewa, funding covers videographer - Josh Hoffman or Hoffman.Pro on the day, the hire of a cherry picker and lighting plus a breakfast at Brac n’Bow for whānau, dignitaries and groups involved in the project.

¹<https://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/imageserver/periodicals/P29pZD1UUFJTlloxOTEyLTQ1LjluNy4xLjQ5JmdldHBkZj10cnVI>

Purakau

Phase 2. I have sort the services of Josh Hoffman of Hoffman.Pro, to record two interviews with Paora Ammunson (tbc) and further footage of the swing bridge, Wairarapa Moana and Tauwharenikau River to add extra content to the interviews. With the footage of the unveiling and the subsequent interviews with Paora Ammunson Hoffman.Pro will create a stainless steel QR code to be mounted on the plinth of Pou Nuku Pewapewa. The videos will only be accessible by scanning the QR code on the plinth. The QR code will point the user to a you tube platform where the 3 videos will sit, videos are no longer than 3mins each. First video is the purakau of Nuku Pewapewa that speaks to the pou, the second is the unique celestial whakapapa of South Wairarapa and third video is the morning of the unveiling.

Request

I would like to request from the MSC the funding to support phase 2. the two subsequent interviews and creation of stainless steel QR code to complete this project. I have attached the quote from Hoffman.Pro. I believe this project sits within the criterium of our Pou Whakapapa where funds are allocated for project/projects that support telling of purakau and sharing of Whakapapa. The quote is \$7,200 + GST

Pūrongo Whakahokinga Kōrero/ Project Outcomes

I believe this project is worthy of support from the MSC, the committee has been seeking a project that would demonstrate positive outcomes for Māori and community both culturally/oranga ahurea and socially/oranga hauora, since 2020 when we were granted operational funding. The project has been lead by Papawai haukainga in collaboration with Greytown Trails Trust and support from Pae tū Mōkai o Tauira. The Pou will sit in Featherston and face toward Wairarapa Moana, it will be an example of contemporary māori art and the purakau and celestial whakapapa will be accessible digitally for today and for the future. Thus creating a place of destination adding to economic wellbeing/oranga ōhanga.

Thank you for accepting my proposal, I am happy to answer any questions.

Karakia - whakakapi

Unuhia, unuhia

Unuhia ki te uru tapu nui

Kia wātea, kia māmā

Te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua

I te ara takatū

Koia rā e Rongo

Whakairia ake ki runga

Tūturu whakamaua kia tina. Tina!

Hui e! Tāiki e!

No reira

Tena koutou

Tena koutou

Tena tātou kātoa

Waka Ama on Lake Ōnoke Recreation Reserve

1. Purpose

To inform the Māori Standing Committee (MSC) of Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa’s proposal to have a licence to use an area of recreation reserve on the shores of Lake Ōnoke for the storage of Waka Ama and related equipment and seek guidance from the MSC in relation to this Kaupapa.

2. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Committee:

1. Receive the ‘Waka Ama on Lake Ōnoke Recreation Reserve’ report.
2. Provide advice on which groups should be consulted with.

3. Background

SWDC is the custodian of several small recreation reserves close to Lake Ōnoke including WN17B/364. Management of these reserves is covered by the Coastal Reserves Management Plan.

Council has been approached by Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa about:

- Putting a modified shipping container on WN17B/364 to house Waka Ama related equipment and support the storage of a Waka Ama on its exterior.
- Furthering opportunities for the community to restore Upokirikiri Pa Stream through the removal of pines and planting of suitable natives.
- Its broader vision of developing the Council reserve land on the shores of Lake Ōnoke for creating structures that share stories, reconnect mana whenua to their ancestral land, and unlock tourism potential for the area.

Council is not at this point offering the MSC any formal advice on whether it supports a proposal to place a 44-foot shipping container on concrete blocks to store Waka Ama in a coastal recreation reserve. There are obvious benefits canvassed in this paper. We are very supportive of the stated intention of creating structures that share stories, reconnect mana whenua to their ancestral land, and unlock tourism potential for the area. And there don’t appear to be any consents required.

That said, some people may question whether a shipping container is the right structure to be placed in such an area of valuable natural beauty – as they are not very aesthetically pleasing, will rust and degrade over time, and are prime targets for graffiti and vandalism. It

would be useful to know if other storage options have been considered and to understand the pros and cons. Council would need to be conscious of the precedent being set in terms of future applications for the same or similar structures in our coastal reserves. Thought would need to be given to how the legal arrangements would be put in place for the maintenance of the container, its use, and the rules around its removal if circumstances were to change. There is the issue of whether the placement of shipping containers in recreation reserves would interfere with other uses that are currently taking place or are permitted. Ideally, we would see a project justification that covers these and other matters from the applicant.

If a public process is necessary for this project to advance then Council will have to decide what priority it could attach to the project, and that will determine the timing of a Reserves Act consultation process or alternative means of gauging community views.

3.1 Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa

Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa is a Charitable trust whose mission is that whānau are connected, inspired and empowered to share opportunities to thrive and lead in Te Ao.

One of Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa's key Kaupapa (initiative/project) is to reconnect Wairarapa Māori to their ancestral water bodies and surrounds through Waka Ama.

3.2 Waka Ama on Lake Ōnoke

Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa's purpose of this Kaupapa is to:

- Reconnect Wairarapa Māori to their ancestral water bodies and surrounds.
- Strengthen identity and pride in Wairarapa whānau including tauiwi.
- Increase health statistics by active participation in water sports and recreation.
- Draw attention to history in order to strengthen relationships and address injustices.
- Educate about Wairarapa Moana ecology to support and initiate environmental initiatives that increase the health of water and land while boosting biodiversity.
- Reclaim mātauranga waka including paddling, sailing, building, whakairo, celestial navigation, karakia, mōteatea, tikanga, and pūrākau.
- Create commercial opportunities that produce jobs to support mana whenua returning home.

3.3 Users / Beneficiaries

The permanent establishment of the waka Kaupapa at Ōnoke is to benefit all of Wairarapa and further afield. The resources will be made available to marae, hapū, iwi, schools and local communities. Groups wanting to utilise the resources will need to contact and organise with Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa prior to their arrival. For those whānau who have no experience with waka ama, the group would periodically run wānanga to support whānau in being confident to paddle and/or steer the waka. This will ensure a depth of knowledge for whānau and sustainability regarding waka ama in the area.

Longer term Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa are looking to work with Kohunui Marae, and other hapū and iwi organisations, as well as the local community to develop initiatives that

align with Te Rua o Mahara's vision of reconnecting Wairarapa tangata to Wairarapa Moana. This may include Māori Tourism.

3.4 Storage for Waka Ama

Storage of the waka and equipment on the lake side is considered essential to this Kaupapa as it significantly reduces time and obstacles to getting the waka onto the water. Currently Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa owns one waka which is 16 metres long. Moving it on roads requires a long trailer. In addition to the waka is associated gear such as life jackets and paddles. Having storage close to the Lake means that users can be on the water in a matter of minutes as opposed to hours if the waka and gear need to be moved from further afield.

3.5 Modified container

Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa has purchased a 44 ft shipping container. The intention is to:

- Modify the container to include a standard door.
- Modify the container to include large brackets for the storage of a waka along the exterior of the container.
- Paint the container with either a uniform colour or a mural.

The container would sit on four concrete cubes (approx. 500mm³) buried in the ground. This would ensure that the container stays level.

4. Discussion

4.1 Engagement with Mana Whenua

Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa intends to seek written support of Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tamaki nui-a-Rua Treaty Settlement Trust, Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust and given its proximity to the Lake potentially the Wairarapa Moana Statutory Board.

4.2 Significance of Site

Te Upokokirikiri, located on the eastern shore of Ōnoke and to the south of Te Upokokirikiri Stream, is an historic pā of great importance to both Ngāti Kahungunu Ki Wairarapa and Rangitāne o Wairarapa. It was here that the whare Te Wharau o Kena stood. This is where Te Rangitāwhanga, Rangatira of Kahungunu, and his people arrived from Heretaunga, and met Rangitāne Rangatira Te Rerewa and his people. Te Rangitāwhanga agreed to build a number of waka for Te Rerewa and his people to sail to Wairau in exchange for the whenua around Wairarapa Moana.

Traditionally Wairarapa Moana supported local hapū with an abundance of resources from kai to clothing, building materials to weapons, and it enabled movement from the coast inland and vice versa.

A period of great turbulence termed The Battle of The Lakes was fought between local hapū, European settlers and the Crown. This culminated in the dispossession of Wairarapa Moana from local hapū and their dislocation from their ancestral waterways and lands.

4.3 Alignment to Strategic Documents and Community Wellbeings

Waka Ama has been identified as a community aspiration in the [Wairarapa Moana Engagement & Experience Plan \(2022\)](#) and the [Wairarapa Moana Restoration Plan \(2022\)](#). Iwi, hapū and marae were an important part of the journey of the creation of these plans – and remain critical to the further development and delivery of any mahi involved. Upokokirikiri Pa Stream was identified as a Tier 1 restoration site in the Wairarapa Moana Restoration Plan.

Activities and outcomes proposed to be delivered as a result of Waka Ama are aligned with a number of priorities of [Te Rautaki Rangatahi o Wairarapa](#) – the Wairarapa Youth Strategy. [Waka Ama Aotearoa New Zealand \(WAANZ\)](#) is an overarching framework for all things related to Waka Ama and identifies how Waka Ama is steeped in the powerful history and traditions of waka sailing and voyaging and is a vehicle for identity, pride and community in Aotearoa.

4.4 Proposed placement of modified container and licence area

The proposed location of the modified container is shown on the map below. The location has been chosen because it:

- Has good access to the lake.
- Is flat and hard.
- Is outside the floodzone.
- Is sheltered from both southerly and north westerly winds (which can be particularly strong around Ōnoke).
- Is in walking distance to the public toilets and playground.
- Has a level of security with multiple residential properties within site.



4.5 Building Act and RMA considerations

The SWDC planning team have confirmed that there are no resource consent requirements from the placement of the modified container.

The SWDC building team have confirmed that provided the container is placed on (and not affixed to) the concrete blocks there is no building work, and therefore no building consent required.

4.6 Reserves Act Process

As a recreation reserve use of the land in question must comply with the Reserves Act. The Reserves Act provides that council can lease or licence part of a recreation reserve in certain circumstances. Two of the circumstances outlined are of relevance to this situation:

- Leasing part of the reserve for the erection of buildings and structures associated with and necessary for the use of the reserve for outdoor sports, games, or other recreational activities (see [Reserves Act s54\(1\)\(b\)](#)).
- Granting a leases or licences for the carrying on of any trade, business, or occupation on any specified site within the reserve, where the trade, business or occupation is necessary to enable the public to obtain the benefit and enjoyment of the reserve or for the convenience of persons using the reserve. (see [Reserves Act s54\(1\)\(d\)](#)).

If the lease or licence is in conformity with and contemplated by the reserve management plan, then Council can go ahead and lease or licence areas of the reserve that fit these circumstances. In this case the reserve management plan doesn't contemplate a lease or licence for this purpose and therefore council must give public notice in accordance with [section 119](#) specifying the licence proposed to be granted. Council must then give full consideration in accordance with [section 120](#) to all objections and submissions received before deciding to proceed with the proposal.

The South Wairarapa District Council Delegations register does not provide for delegation of [section 120](#) and therefore the decision to grant the licence to Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa will need to be made by elected members or elected members will need to specifically delegate the decision to officers.

5. Summary and Conclusions

Council have been approached by Te Rua o Mahara Wairarapa's to have a licence to use an area of recreation reserve on the shores of Lake Ōnoke for the storage of Waka Ama and related equipment and seek guidance from the MSC in relation to this Kaupapa.

Contact Officer: Sarah Pearson-Coats, Property Portfolio Advisor

Reviewed By: Stefan Corbett, Group Manager Partnerships & Operations

Income & Expenditure Report

1. Purpose

To present the Māori Standing Committee with the most recent Income and Expenditure Statements.

2. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Committee:

1. *Receive the Income & Expenditure Report for the period ending 30 June 2024.*

3. Executive Summary

The Income and Expenditure Statement for the period ending 30 June 2024 is attached in Appendix 1.

4. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Income & Expenditure Statement for the period ending 30 June 2024.

Contact Officer: Hayley McDonald, Assistant Accountant

Reviewed By: Charly Clarke, Chief Financial Officer

**Appendix 1 – Income and Expenditure
Report for the Period Ending 30 June
2024**

Te Whare o Māori Standing Committee

Financial summary for the period ended July 2020 to 30 June 2024 (Draft)

Operations Budget allocated 1 Aug 20 \$ 38,080
 Marae Dev. Budget allocated 1 Aug 20 \$ 27,000

* Please note the Annual report for 2023/24 has not been audited by Audit NZ, therefore these results may be subject to change.

Tautoko	Allocation	Spend 2020-21	Spend 2021-22	Spend 2022-23	Spend 2023-24	Committed Spend	Remaining Allocation
Support through:							
Grant funds	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,200	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 13,200	\$ -	-\$ 14,400
2 x \$1,000							
4 x \$500							
Delegation from Community and Youth Fund DC2022/113	\$ 5,000						\$ 5,000
Sponsorship							
Rangiura o Wairarapa Kapahaka	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 3,000		\$ -	-\$ 3,000
Wairarapa Māori Sports Awards	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 500			\$ -	\$ 1,000
Koha	\$ 1,000	\$ 782	\$ 157	\$ 287		\$ -	-\$ 226
New members Induction Pack project	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 500
Restorative Justice Process project	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 500
Toi Māori Art project	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 2,000
Training/general	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 87	\$ 1,355	\$ 878	\$ -	-\$ 320
Totals	\$ 18,000	\$ 4,482	\$ 1,743	\$ 6,642	\$ 14,078	\$ -	-\$ 8,946

Whakapapa	Allocation	Spend 2020-21	Spend 2021-22	Spend 2022-23	Spend 2023-24	Committed Spend	Remaining Allocation
Support:							
Significant Sites group expenses	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 1,500
Pūrakau project (NH to submit proposal to MSC)	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 8,000
Training on Resource Management Act Specifically sections pertaining to tangata whenua	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 3,000
RMA Process project	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 300
Totals	\$ 12,800	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 12,800

Te Taiao	Allocation	Spend 2020-21	Spend 2021-22	Spend 2022-23	Spend 2023-24	Committed Spend	Remaining Allocation
Create opportunities:							
To support Marae and Pae tū Mōkai o Tauria with Cultural Monitoring programs i.e. environment	\$ 8,000	\$ 1,467	\$ 1,064			\$ -	\$ 5,470
For training and wānanga with stakeholders eg. GW, DoC, Mountains to Sea	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 2,000
To engage with communities and schools i.e. planting and cultural monitoring projects	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 900			\$ -	\$ 1,100
To document all projects	\$ 280	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	\$ 280
Totals	\$ 12,280	\$ 1,467	\$ 1,964	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,850

Marae Wawata	Allocation	Spend 2020-21	Spend 2021-22	Spend 2022-23	Spend 2023-24	Committed Spend	Remaining Allocation
Assist Marae to:							
Secure funding and to process funding applications from Marae Development Fund	\$ 27,000	\$ 15,948	\$ 9,000			\$ -	\$ 2,052
Build relationships through collaborative projects							\$ -
Communicate with committee the aspirations of their marae through their representatives							\$ -
							\$ -
Totals	\$ 27,000	\$ 15,948	\$ 9,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,052

Maori Standing Committee : Te Māngai O Ngā Hapori Māori

Expenditure detail for the period ended July 2020 to 30 June 2024 (Draft)

* Please note the Annual report for 2023/24 has not been audited by Audit NZ, therefore these results may be subject to change.

Tautoko

Resolution date	Organisation/Group	Description	Amount
4-Aug-20	Pae tū Mōkai o Taurira	Native tree & plant nursery at Te Whare Whakapapa Raranga	1,000.00
28-Oct-20	Rangiura o Wairarapa	Sponsorship	1,500.00
28-Oct-20	28th Maori Battalion Assoc.	Grant for function to honour descendants of the 28th Maori Battalion	500.00
16-Feb-21	Koha	For the family of Godwell Mahowa	200.00
2-Mar-21	Featherston Rugby Club	New Uniforms and Equipment	1,000.00
20-May-21	Professor Rangī Matamua	Dark Skies Dinner (+ members in attendance)	282.38
21-Jul-21	Whaiora Whanui Trust	Wairarapa Māori Sports Awards	500.00
3-Aug-21	He Putiputi Ltd	Suzanne Murphy Flowers	69.57
10-Nov-21	He Putiputi Ltd	Flowers for Maynard family	86.96
23-Dec-21	Kristina Perry	Waitangi Day event at Cobblestones Museum	1,000.00
10-May-22	Pain & Kershaw	Catering for Workshop	126.09
2-Sep-22	He Putiputi Ltd	Flowers for T Aporo's Tangi	86.96
2-Nov-22	Koha	Koha for T Aporo's Tangi	200.00
27-Sep-22	Reap Grant	Reap Grant	1,000.00
31-Oct-22	SW Summerfield	MSC Workshop	355.00
14-Dec-22	Community/Youth Grants	Grant from Community/Youth fund DC2022/113	(5,000.00)
16-Feb-23	Rangiura o Wairarapa	Sponsorship	3,000.00
2-May-23	R Hooper	Contribution to technology purchase/future education	500.00
2-May-23	Pae Tu Mokai	Turning Bay/irrigation	1,000.00
2-May-23	P Kingi	Tuition fees	500.00
11-Jul-23	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	134.78
18-Jul-23	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	139.13
15-Aug-23	Pae tu Mokai O Taurira	Grant to support Greytown trail	7,200.00
30-Aug-23	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	134.78
13-Dec-23	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	130.43
30-Jan-24	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	134.78
21-Feb-24	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	117.39
30-Apr-24	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	40.78
11-Jun-24	Pain & Kershaw	Pain & Kershaw-Grocery & NZ Post	46.13
2-May-24	Georgia-May Hill	Future Leaders Academy programme	1,000.00
31-May-24	Featherston Netball Club	Uniforms & Equipment for Featherston Netball/Rugby club	5,000.00
Total			21,985.16

Whakapapa

Resolution date	Organisation/Group	Description	Amount
Total			-

Te Taiao

Resolution date	Organisation/Group	Description	Amount
13-Apr-21	Kohunui Marae/Pae tu Mokai	Minnow Traps	333.91
14-May-21	Kohunui Marae/Pae tu Mokai	Cultural Monitoring Projects	1,133.05
3-Aug-21	Kohunui Marae/Pae tu Mokai	Fyke Nets - cultural monitoring projects	1,063.50
16-May-22	Featherston Matariki Events	Featherston Matariki Day Events	900.00
Total			3,430.46

Marae Wawata

Resolution date	Organisation/Group	Description	Amount
10-Aug-20	Hau Ariki Marae	Furniture	7,826.09
7-Aug-20	Kohunui Marae	Native plant nursery, Kāuta storage, cooking vessels	8,122.00
19-Jul-21	Papawai Marae	Kitchen Equipment	9,000.00
Total			24,948.09

Maori Standing Committee : Te Māngai O Ngā Hapori Māori
 Terms of Reference Review for the Period Ended July 2020 to 30 June 2024 (Draft)

** Please note the Annual report for 2023/24 has not been audited by Audit NZ, therefore these results may be subject to change.*

Budget				
	Balance carried forward from 2022-23			<u>15,919.82</u>
	Total Budget			15,919.82
Expenditure				
	Total Expenditure Current Financial Year			<u>-</u>
	Total Expenditure			-
LESS: Committed Funds				
	Resolution date	Original commitment	Spent to date	Remaining commitment
	Total Commitments			<u>-</u>
REMAINING BUDGET TO BE CARRIED FORWARD				<u>15,919.82</u>

Financial Assistance Report

1. Purpose

To present the Māori Standing Committee with applications received requesting financial assistance.

2. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Committee:

1. *Receive the Financial Assistance Report.*
2. *Consider the application from Deziah Aria Ataahua A-J Marion Araitī to assist in attending a Ronatahi Leadership Wānanga in Vanuatu for \$1,000 from the Grant Fund.*
3. *Consider the application from Papawai – Mangarara Stream Catchment Group to assist with the environmental wellbeing of the Papawai – Mangarara Stream for \$10,000 from the Grant Fund.*
4. *Consider the application from Kuranui College Kapahaka to assist in the purchase of kapahaka uniforms for \$1,000 from the Grant Fund.*

3. Executive Summary

The Māori Standing Committee has received three funding applications for consideration.

4. Background

The committee has delegated authority to make financial decisions within the confines of the allocated and available budget and the Board operates its grant fund in accordance with the Council's [Grants Policy](#).

The Committee is allocated funding for grants through the Long-Term Plan/ Annual Plan. The current funding amount is available on the Income & Expenditure Statement.

5. Prioritisation

5.1 Te Tiriti obligations

Engagement considered not required in this case.

5.2 Strategic alignment

How does this align with strategic outcomes?

- Spatial Plan
- Long Term Plan
- Annual Plan

Allocation for Grant funding is approved through the Annual Plan/Long Term Plan and supports the social, environmental, economic, and cultural outcomes.

6. Discussion

Under the current [Grants Policy](#) the key eligibility criteria for Māori Standing Committee grants are as follows:

1. A successful organisation will be required to spend the grant received within 6 months of receipt. Should an extension of time be required, a written request is to be made to the Māori Standing Committee (MSC) chairperson.
2. An MSC Accountability form together with evidence of the expenditure is required within 3 months of a grant being spent (*provide all invoices & receipts*).
3. All questions must be completed.
4. Applications to a maximum value of \$1,500 will be considered (GST will be added to grants approved for GST registered applicants).
5. All grants will be considered on a case-by-case basis and are required to be submitted for consideration at least 10 days prior to the MSC meetings.
6. An organisation is eligible for one grant per year from the MSC Grants fund.
7. Applicants will be invited back to present to the MSC after completing the activity to share their experience.

The Grants Policy sets out further criteria.

6.1.1. **Application from Deziah Aria Ataahua A-J Marion Araitī**

The application from *Deziah Aria Ataahua A-J Marion Araitī* meets the criteria for funding from the Māori Standing Committee. While the event has passed the application was made in good faith prior to the event. There are no outstanding accountability project outcomes reports. The application will be provided to members in confidence.

6.1.2. Application from Papawai – Mangarara Stream Catchment Group

The application from *Papawai – Mangarara Stream Catchment Group* meets the Grant Policy criteria for funding, although the amount exceeds the typical grant limit of \$1,500. The application will be provided to members in confidence.

6.1.3. Application from Kuranui College Kapahaka

The application from *Kuranui College Kapahaka* meets the criteria for funding. There are no outstanding accountability project outcomes reports. The applicant is applying across all three Community Boards for the same amount. The application will be provided to members in confidence.

7. Strategic Drivers and Legislative Requirements

7.1 Significant risk register

There are no significant risks identified.

7.2 Policy implications

Allocation decisions are made in accordance with Councils [Grants Policy](#).

7.3 Communications and engagement

The decisions are considered as low significance as determined by the Councils Significance and Engagement Policy.

7.4 Partnerships

Have you completed a communications plan for the work described/project to engage/communicate with partners/key stakeholders e.g. Waka Kotahi, Kainga Ora, community groups, particular individuals etc?

Yes No

If no, is a communications plan required?

Yes No

8. Financial Considerations

In accordance with the Financial Delegations Policy, a resolution is required to allocate this fund.

Contact Officer: Robyn Ramsden, Advisor, Community Governance.

Reviewed By: Rob Thomas, Manager, Stakeholder Relationships.



Action Items Report

1. Purpose

To present the Committee with updates on actions and resolutions.

2. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Committee:

1. *Receive the Action Items Report.*

3. Executive Summary

Action items from recent meetings are presented to the Māori Standing Committee for information. The Chair may ask Council officers for comment and all members may ask Council officers for clarification and information through the Chair.

If the action has been completed between meetings it will be shown as 'actioned' for one meeting and then will be remain in a master register but no longer reported on.

4. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Action Items to 30 July 2024

Contact Officer: Robyn Ramsden, Advisor, Community Governance

Reviewed By: Rob Thomas, Manager, Stakeholder Relationships

Appendix 1 – Action Items to 30 July 2024

Number	Raised Date	Action Type	Responsible Manager	Action or Task details	Status	Notes
358/359	2-Aug-22	Action	S Corbett	To request the current Wellington Water budget and a report outlining the critical issues and risks including, but not limited to: safe drinking water and waste water management. To schedule a half day Water Wananga with Māori, hapū, marae, iwi, Wellington Water and council officers.	Open	26/08/22: MSC Water Hui scheduled for 1 September 22 cancelled. 31/02/23 - request for report to be circulated as soon as possible. 6/3/23: These issues are to be addressed at a water hui that has been requested by officers - date TBC 26/08/22: MSC Water Hui scheduled for 1 September 22 with Wellington Water and Council officers cancelled. 31/01/23: MSC to consider request following receipt of report (action 358) 6/3/23: As above. To be combined 358 & 359.
548	24-Nov22	Action	R Thomas	Action 520: To request clarification on the 2022-2023 operating budget for the Māori Standing committee, as adopted through the Long-Term Plan.	Actioned	31/01/23: Request for immediate update via email. 14/02/23: Email sent by A Bradley clarifying the operating budget for 2022/23 31/4/23: Further information requested. 30/1/24: See action 44 from 2024. Combined with Action 44 from 30 Jan 2024 meeting. Clarification requested on the budget. 19/3/24: updated budget information sent to Chair. Actioned.
147/148 /149	18 July 23	Action	R Thomas	Action 147: clarification around if Cape Palliser paper road is a council road or has it gone through the Māori land court? Action 143: propose a steering group, with Mr Hale as Chair and Ms Mikaera MSC representative, protecting sites of significates. Action 148: propose a steering group, with Mr Hale as Chair and Ms Mikaera MSC representative, protecting sites of significates. Action 149: Freedom Camping bylaw work to include education on this site.	Open	6/10/23 A Bradley waiting on confirmation from the Roding team. 30/1/24: Paper road from Pou Māori Report. Combine with 148. 10/10/23 updated details to specify paper road past Cape Palliser. Two of those blocks not Māori land, DOC are also at the end of the road. Investigating if we can get a proper sign "Private Access etc" and consult with locals around access. 30/1/24: Combine with 147. 30/01/24: Freedom camping. Combine with 147 & 148 20/03/24: The freedom camping bylaw is set to be adopted by Council. If adopted, the next step is signage and communication, which will be implemented 1 July onwards. 22/3/24: Freedom Camping bylaw going to Council on 27 March.
159	18 July 23	Action	N Carter	Action 147: SWDC to provide a letter of support to marae interested in being an emergency response shelter. MSC/Māori Pou to work with Mr Carter building relationships and organising emergency management training	Open	30/1/24: Still in progress. 19/7/24: Now part of operational work, Actioned. Suggest updates every quarter?
155	10-Oct-23	Action	R Thomas	Action 155: Council officers to reach out to MSC around the youth role and youth strategy	Actioned	20/03/24: This has been reassigned to the Youth Coordinator for further discussion and follow up with MSC Chair to confirm next steps. Early March - Youth Development Coordinator has started at SWDC. 11/6/24: Youth Development Advisor spoke at the June Forum.
156	10-Oct-23	Action	R Thomas	Action 156: Council officers to see if MSC can offer kiwi hall to Wairarapa Whanau Trust free of charge to help with venue costs.	Open	30/1/24: Grant conversation potentially more complicated. Funding didn't quite fit. Council could offer venue. Precedence from when setting up Pae Tū Mōkai. 30/4/24: still looking for a suitable venue. Feedback the Anzac Hall is cold and less friendly. Ongoing search for a suitable location.
2	30-Jan-24	Action	R Thomas	Action 2: Chair requested to hold a session around conflicts of interest and understanding conflicts of interest at the next forum.	Open	24/7/24: Rob Thomas to present at the next MSC Fourm on 17 September? 10-15 mins.
3	30-Jan-24	Action	MSC	Action 3: Decisions to be made regarding the gifting of the Korowai	Open	30/4/24: Storage at the Waihinga centre in a glass case. On hold – Narida on leave.
4	30-Jan-24	Action	J Smith	Action 4: Ask CE to get officials to provide clarity on the name Rapaki through purchase agreements and records from when the Rapaki walk was named.	Actioned	30/4/24: now have clarity on Rapaki. Actioned.
5	30-Jan-24	Action	MSC	Action 5: Te Rina follow up with Papawai regarding making contact with Far North Solar.	Actioned	30/4/24: Email sent to Far North Solar. Actioned.
168	30-Apr-24	Action	MSC	Action 168: Matter arising from MSC meeting mana whenua discussion.	Actioned	Ensure 'mana whenua' is embedded into the Māori Policy.
175	30-Apr-24	Action	J Smith	Action 175: Pou Māori Narida Hooper will consult with J O'Conner on the Lake Ferry Tender Process.	Actioned	
184	30-Apr-24	Action	J Smith	Action 184: Request from MSC to develop and maintain a newsletter for members to take back to their areas on what's happening in Council.	Open	Action for Narida.