# Huihuinga o Te Poari o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe

Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board Friday 3 October 2025 at 10.00am





Ngāti Kuri Trust Board Graeme

Neho

**FNDC Mayor Moko Tepania** 

NRC Councillor, Marty Robinson

# Rārangi Take O Te Poari

(Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board Agenda)

Meeting to be held in the Banquet Room, Te Ahu Centre cnr State Highway 1 & Matthews Ave, Kaitaia on Friday 3 October 2025, commencing at 10.00am

Recommendations contained in the agenda are NOT decisions of the meeting. Please refer to minutes for resolutions.

# NGĀ MANA WHAKAHAERE (MEMBERSHIP OF THE TE ONEROA-A-TŌHE BOARD)

# Chair, Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa, Lisa McNab e Te Rūnanga Nui o Te Aupōuri

**Trust Harata Brown** 

Deputy Chair, FNDC Hilda Halkyard-Harawira

**NRC Councillor, Joe Carr** 

**NgaiTakoto Wallace Rivers** 

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TITLE: Confirmation of Minutes - 18 July 2025

From: Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin

Authorised by Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and

**Group Manager/s:** Engagement, on 30 September 2025

# Ngā mahi tūtohutia / Recommendation

That the unconfirmed minutes of the Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board meeting held on 18 July 2025, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

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# Ngā Miniti O Te Poari O Te Oneroa-A-Tōhē Te Oneroa-A-Tōhē Board Minutes

Meeting held in the Banquet Room, Te Ahu Centre cnr State Highway 1 & Matthews Ave, Kaitaia on Friday 18 July 2025, commencing at 10:00 am

### Tuhinga (Present):

Chairperson, Lisa McNab Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa

Graeme Neho Ngāti Kuri Trust Board

Wallace Rivers NgaiTakoto (via audio visual link)

Harata Brown Te Aupōuri

Deputy Chair Hilda Halkyard-Harawira Far North District Council

### I Tae Mai (In Attendance):

# Huihuinga i te katoa (Full Meeting)

George Riley Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa

Auriole Ruka NRC Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and

Engagement

Kim Peita NRC Te Tiriti Partnerships and Engagement Manager Ruben Wylie NRC Pou Tiaki Taiao – GM Environmental Services

Sheila Taylor Tehuiaconsulting

Meloney Tupou NRC Te Tiriti Partnerships and Engagement kaiawhina

Sandra Harris NRC Personal Assistant - Environmental Services

Llani Harding FNDC Pouhautu Te Hono - Manager Te Hono

Kelly Stratford FNDC Deputy Mayor (via audio visual link)

Marlema Baker FNDC

Dena-Maree Hemara FNDC (via audio visual link)
Tipene Kapa-Kingi CEO Te Rūnanga Nui o Te Aupōuri

#### Huihuinga i te wahanga (Part Meeting)

Ministry for the Environment x3 representatives

The Chair declared the meeting open at 10.00am.

# Karakia Timatanga and Whakatau

Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0)

Ngā whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)

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#### Moved (Brown / Halkyard-Harawira)

That the apologies from FNDC Mayor Moko Tepania and Ngāti Kuri Theresa Burkhardt for non-attendance be received.

#### Carried

# Nga whakapuakanga (Declarations of Conflicts of Interest)

It was advised that members should make declarations item-by-item as the meeting progressed.

Secretarial Note: It was raised that Iwi representatives met prior to todays meeting and begun discussions regarding conflicts with the Beach Board and Ngā Puāwaitanga o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.

#### Confirmation of Minutes - 23 May 2025 (Item 4.1)

Report from Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin Moved (Brown /Halkyard-Harawira)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 May 2025, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

#### Carried.

#### Actions –

- **FNDC and NRC -** Following up on the request from Te Aupōuri council representative to provide update regarding Sites of Significance.
- NRC Progressing the request to provide the Aquaculture Report on Spat Harvesting.
- NRC Provide clarification regarding Code of Conduct for mechanical harvesting rights on the Beach.
- **FNDC** FNDC provide the appropriate organisational staff members in attendance. This will enable a clear understanding of the required actions and the resources needed to effectively support the work.

## Secretarial Note:

- NRC has recommended holding a workshop with the Beach Board prior to the September 2025 Formal Meeting. Purpose of this workshop is to facilitate a robust discussion around council support for the Beach Board, with a particular focus on the issue of vehicles on beaches.
- NRC has recommended that the Beach Board continues to develop their position on vehicle use on beaches, with council maintaining support throughout the process.
- Iwi representatives and NRC have requested that the Technical Steering Group (TSG)
  membership be discussed and confirmed at the upcoming workshop, ahead of formal
  endorsement at the September meeting.
- Resource consents, as a follow-up from the July meeting, will be discussed at the upcoming
  workshop. NRC has suggested refreshing the process, and clarification is needed on who
  from the Board will be responsible. Each iwi has its own approach to managing consents, and
  the Board seeks clarity on the current status of resource consents related to the beach. The

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workshop will also explore a framework and scale of activities the Board wishes to include in their criteria. It is suggested that the TSG be tasked with delivering a report to support this work.

# Financial Report (Item 5.1)

Report from Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin

Financials will be updated at the September 2025 meeting, Accounts are still accruing invoice for the yearend.

Ministry for the Environment (Mfa) Ben White presented update of the RMA to the Board.

# July 2025 workplan update (Item 5.2)

Report from Sheila Taylor, Kaiārahi Kaupapa Māori

Moved (Brown / Halkyard-Harawira)

That the report 'July 2025 workplan update' by Sheila Taylor, Kaiārahi Kaupapa Māori and dated 10 July 2025, be received.

Carried.

# Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe - Advice for Board paper on Funding (Item 5.3)

Report from Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - GM Governance and Engagement

#### Ngā mahi tūtohutia / Recommendation

That the report 'Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe - Advice for Board paper on Funding' by Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - GM Governance and Engagement and dated 15 July 2025, be received.

That a workshop be held at the next Board meeting to consider the long-term financial viability and funding opportunities that align with the purpose and objectives of the Board and the priorities outlined in the Beach Management Plan.

## Secretarial Note:

- Legal Advice regarding funding was delivered by NRC.
- Recommendation to workshop clarity regarding processes and protocols for applications for funding, at Beach Board level.

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# **ACTIONS**

1.	Following up on the request from Te Aupōuri - council representative to provide update regarding Sites of Significance.	FNDC and NRC
2.	Progress the request to provide the Aquaculture Report on Spat Harvesting.	NRC
3.	Provide clarification regarding Code of Conduct for mechanical harvesting rights on the Beach.	NRC
4.	FNDC provide the appropriate organisational staff members in attendance. This will enable a clear understanding of the required actions and the resources needed to effectively support the Beach Board work.	FNDC

**Whakamoemiti Whakamutunga:** The meeting concluded at 12.25pm Whakamoemiti by Matua Graeme Neho.

TITLE: Financial Report

From: Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin

Authorised by Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and

**Group Manager/s:** Engagement, on 30 September 2025

# Whakarāpopototanga / Executive summary

The purpose of this report is to provide the financial statement of the Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board for the period ending 1 July 2025.

# Ngā mahi tūtohutia / Recommendation

That the report 'Financial Report' by Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin and dated 19 September 2025, be received.

# Background/Tuhinga

A detailed Financial Report is provided as Attachment 1.

In summary, to date the Board has expended \$296,757.72 from the following funds:

Board Operational Fund \$150,000 \$65,630.41 remaining
 Plan Development Fund \$250,000 \$37,611.88 remaining

# Attachments/Ngā tapirihanga

Attachment 1: Financials 🗓 📆

Te Hiku Be	each Board Funding									
		TO	OTAL (A/c 00-625	9)		Operations (CC47	01)	Plar	n Development (C	C4702)
Actual Inc	Actual Income and Expenditure for the As at 30-06-25 (NZ\$ GST exclusive)		EXPENDITURE	FUND BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENDITURE		INCOME	EXPENDITURE	FUND BALANCE
	MURIWHENUA SETTLEMENT - \$400,000.00									
OPENING B	ALANCE - 1 JULY 2025			\$103,229.80			\$65,387.67			\$37,842.13
2025/2026	Actual Transactions									
Income										
	Interest July 25	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest small balance adj 24/25	\$0.74			\$0.37			\$0.37		
	Interest Aug 25	\$219.16			\$138.79			\$80.37		
	Interest Sep 25	\$197.66			\$125.18			\$72.49		
	Interest Oct 25	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest Nov 25	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest Dec 25	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest Jan 26	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest Feb 26	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest Mar 26	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest Apr 26	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest May 26	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
	Interest June 26	\$0.00			\$0.00			\$0.00		
				\$417.56			\$264.34			\$153.23
Less Payme										
Cost centre										
4701			-			-			-	
	Beach Board - meeting room hire/kai-Invoice - 2447-Te Ahu Charitab		247.83						247.83	
	24/25 year adjustment Te Ahu Charitable		- 257.39						- 257.39	
	24/25 year adjustment Google account Fee		21.60			21.60			-	
	EOM Commitment Accrual-P0096326-Te Ahu Charitable Trust		393.04						393.04	
4701	nil		-							
				-\$405.08			-\$21.60			-\$383.48
CLOSING BA	ALANCE	\$417.56	\$405.08	\$103,242.28	\$264.34	\$21.60	\$65,630.41	\$153.23	\$383.48	\$37,611.88

TITLE: Re-establishment of the Technical Advisory Group

From: Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and

Engagement and Ruben Wylie, Pou Tiaki Taiao

**Authorised by** Ruben Wylie, Pou Tiaki Taiao and Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere -

**Group Manager/s:** Strategic Partnerships and Engagement, on 30 September 2025

# Executive summary/Whakarapopototanga

The purpose of this report is to seek endorsement by the Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board for the Terms of Reference of the Technical Advisory Group, as workshopped with the Board on 25 August 2025. At that workshop, the board indicated support for the Terms of Reference, and attendees commented that they would like to see senior leadership from both councils engaged with the work being carried out by the advisory group. This would help ensure accountability and sustainability for the work being undertaken on behalf of the board, in particular the actions set out in Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.

The Technical Advisory Group's role is to support the Board's governance function through technical advice and project management, provided collectively by staff from Far North District Council, Northland Regional Council and Te Hiku representatives from the iwi of Ngāti Kurī, Te Aupōuri, Te Rarawa, and NgāiTakoto. The Terms of reference are attached as Attachment 1.

This statutory status of Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe make it an important mechanism to guide management actions and cross-agency delivery of the Board's Vision - Kia roa tō titiro pērā te hīkoi o Tōhe. It is proposed that the Technical Advisory Group deliver and report on actions set out in Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe via a programmed approach.

A draft 12-month work programme provides a structured timeline for delivering key actions under Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe, including identification of wāhi tapu and sites of significance, the regional plan change, and a review of Te Rautaki actions themselves. This programme can serve as a future reporting mechanism for the Technical Advisory Group, enabling the Board to track progress against agreed milestones and ensure alignment with the Board's priorities.

By adopting a programme-based approach, the Board gains clear visibility of deliverables, timeframes, and dependencies, which supports informed decision-making and prioritisation of resources. Regular reporting against this programme will also strengthen accountability and transparency, ensuring that both councils and iwi partners remain committed to the shared vision. Furthermore, programming provides a basis for performance monitoring, helping to identify risks early and maintain momentum on critical actions.

The draft work programme has been attached to enable the board to provide feedback on priorities and phasing of the actions. Following this feedback, the Technical Advisory Group will develop the programme in more detail to be endorsed at the next formal board meeting, with regular reporting on progress to be provided at each Board meeting.

# Recommendation(s)

- 1. That the report 'Re-establishment of the Technical Advisory Group' by Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere Strategic Partnerships and Engagement and Ruben Wylie, Pou Tiaki Taiao and dated 19 September 2025, be received.
- 2. That the Board endorse the terms of reference attached to this report.

# **Options**

No.	Option	Advantages	Disadvantages
1	Endorse the Terms of Reference and establish the technical advisory group	<ul> <li>Provides a platform for collective operational and technical advice, ensuring the Board's mahi is well-informed and aligned with Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.</li> <li>Strengthens accountability by involving senior leadership from both councils and iwi.</li> <li>Improves coordination and consistency across agencies, reducing duplication and siloed efforts.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increased workload for iwi technicians and council staff.</li> <li>May require additional administrative support.</li> </ul>
2	Board does not endorse recommendations	<ul> <li>Business as usual can continue without additional resource commitments.</li> <li>Avoids immediate administrative and coordination costs associated with establishing a new group.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Relies heavily on a small number of individuals, reducing capacity.</li> <li>Lack of collective technical input may lead to inconsistent or less robust advice for governance.</li> <li>Slower progress on implementing Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe</li> <li>Missed opportunity to strengthen partnerships and shared accountability between councils and iwi.</li> </ul>

Option 1 is recommended: that the board endorse the Terms of Reference and establish the technical advisory group

# Attachments/Ngā tapirihanga

Attachment 1: Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Beach Board Technical Advisory Group - Kaupapa 🗓 📆

Attachment 2: Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Draft 1 year programme 🗓 📆

# Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Beach Board Technical Advisory Group - Te Kaupapa

# Introduction

Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board (the Board) is a statutory, permanent joint committee created through Treaty settlement legislation. The Board's purpose is to provide governance and direction to all those who have a role in, or responsibility for, the management of Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe management area so as to protect and enhance environmental, economic, social, cultural and spiritual wellbeing for present and future generations.

The board in a governance entity, often having to consider technical aspects associated its mandate around the management of Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe. These can include technical planning, Local Government Act and conservation management aspects associated with giving effect to Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē (the Beach Management Plant), and navigating the complexities and multiple layers of the legislative arrangements that affect management decisions.

This document outlines a scope of a Technical Advisory Group that will report to the Board for the purpose of supporting its governance role through technical advice provided collectively by technical staff from Far North District Council, Northland Regional Council and Te Hiku representatives from the iwi of Ngāti Kuri, Te Aupouri, Te Rarawa, and NgāiTakoto.

# **Background and Context**

### Development and status of the Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē

The Board prepared Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē following extensive engagement: initial public engagement (Jul–Sep 2019), a summer programme (Dec 2019–Feb 2020), and formal consultation including a public hearing (Sep–Oct 2020). The Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē formally came into effect on 25 January 2021.

The Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē has significant influence on decision-making summarised as follows

- Resource Management Act planning documents (NRC/FNDC): must recognise and provide for Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē in plan development and consent decisions must have regard to it.
- Conservation documents (DOC): must have particular regard to the BMP.
- Local Government Act decisions (NRC/FNDC): must take the BMP into account (including bylaws, Long Term Plans and annual plans).

This statutory status of Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē make it an important mechanism to guide management actions and cross-agency delivery of the Board's Vision - Kia roa tō titiro pērā te hīkoi o Tōhe.

#### Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe

At the Board's wānanga (28–30 Sep 2023), participants agreed to a set of common ground commitments known as Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe. These are provided as Attachment 1 to this document. Ngā Puāwai articulate practical kaupapa to steer implementation of the management plan, including:

- balanced decision-making,
- safe respectful and appropriate vehicle use;
- land-use that protects Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe;
- investment to grow a sustainable, resilient economy;
- an iwi-led ocean centre of excellence;
- and the goal of abundance of kaimoana and taonga species (with toheroa as a tohu).

The Ngā Puāwai process provides guidance to prioritise Board's work and partner contributions alongside the Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē.

# Technical Advisory Group: Role and function

The role of the Technical Advisory Group is to support the delivery of Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē and Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe. This will be achieved by:

- Providing a forum for iwi operational staff to work alongside council staff to support the hoard
- Enhance relationships between operational staff and governance members.
- Provide a platform for collective operational and technical advice to be given to the Board to support governance decision making.

#### Membership

Membership of the Technical Advisory Group is to comprise the following.

- Northland Regional Council and Far North District Council Senior operational leadership.
  - These members should have accountability in the fields of planning, environmental management, regulatory processes, and infrastructure. The expectation is that local government agencies commit to supporting the kaupapa of the Board through the collective expertise shared by both parties, rather than limiting input to jurisdictional boundaries.
- Operational Staff from Te Hiku Iwi Governance Entities: Representatives from the iwi of Ngāti
  Kuri, Te Aupouri, Te Rarawa, and NgāiTakoto, who bring operational capability and cultural
  knowledge to support the delivery of actions and ensure consistency with tikanga Māori and
  iwi aspirations.
- Specialist Consultants/Advisers (as needed): external consultants or technical specialists to
  provide specific information or advice on an as required basis when a particular action item
  requires specialised expertise to support the groups advisory functions to the board.

Members of the group will work together in a way that actively enhances the mana of all members and upholds the mana of the Board

# Mahi

The Technical Advisory Group will develop a work programme and bring this to the Board for endorsement. The work programme will reflect the direction of the board, priority actions set out in Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē and the principles of Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.

# Meetings

#### **Co-Chairs**

Iwi and Council member of the Technical Advisory Group

#### Quorum

A quorum of at least 75% of members is required for all meetings to proceed. Members shall commit to a collaborative process and the group shall endeavour to achieve consensus in their advice to the Board and to it is important that members of the group make themselves available to attend meetings.

#### Frequency

Meetings will be held bi-monthly on alternate months of the Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē Board meetings remotely.

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#	Task	Resource(s)	Start date	End date	Days	% Comple	WES	Work	2025			2026			20	27
π	lask	Resource(s)	Start date	Elia date	Days	% Comple	WDS	WOIK	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
0	↑ Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe		10/3/2025	1/1/2027	325	0 %	1	0		0%	Te Raut	taki o Te Oneroa	-a-Tōhe			
1	↑ Identifying wāhi tapu and sites of significance		10/3/2025	4/14/2	137	0 %	1.1	0		0%		Identifying wāh	i tapu and sites	of significance		
2	✓ Planning		10/3/2025	11/21/	35	0 %	1.1.1	0		0% Planning	g					
5	✓ Undertake approved brief		12/18/2025	2/17/2	44	0 %	1.1.2	0		0%	Undertak	ke approved brie	f			
9	☐ Obtain Board Approval		4/14/2026	4/14/2	0	0 %	1.1.3	0			•	Obtain Board	Approval			
10	↑ Regional Plan Change to Give Effect to Rautaki o T		2/27/2026	5/25/2	62	0 %	1.2	0			0%	Regiona	ll Plan Change t	o Give Effect to	Rautaki o Te C	neroa-a-Tōhē
11	☐ Workshop with council		2/27/2026	4/9/2026	30	0 %	1.2.1	0			0%	Workshop with	council			
12	▼ Go/no go following council direction		4/8/2026	4/8/2026	0	0 %	1.2.2	0			•	Go/no go follo	wing council di	rection		
13	E Lodge exemption application		4/13/2026	5/22/2	31	0 %	1.2.3	0				0% Lodge e	xemption appli	cation		
14	↑ Spat Catching Management		3/4/2026	9/7/2026	134	0 %	1.3	0			0% S	Spat Catching Ma	anage			
15	✓ Planning		3/4/2026	5/8/2026	48	0 %	1.3.1	0			0%	Planning				
18	✓ Reporting		6/15/2026	9/7/2026	61	0 %	1.3.2	0				0%	Repo	orting		
21	✓ Execution		5/8/2026	9/2/2026	83	0 %	1.3.3	0				0% Exec	cution			
26	↑ Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhē - Action Plan Review		6/1/2026	1/1/2027	154	0 %	1.4	0	Te Rautaki	o Te Oneroa-a-To	ōhē - Action Plan	Review 0%				
27	✓ Planning		6/1/2026	8/19/2	57	0 %	1.4.1	0				0%	Planning	}		
33	✓ Execution		8/7/2026	12/31/	105	0 %	1.4.2	0					0% I	Execution		
35	⊞ Approval		1/1/2027	1/1/2027	0	0 %	1.4.3	0						•	Approval	

TITLE: Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe

From: Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and

Engagement

Authorised by Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and

**Group Manager/s:** Engagement, on 30 September 2025

# Executive summary/Whakarāpopototanga

Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe represents a set of common ground commitments agreed upon during the Board's wānanga (September 28–30, 2023). This process has also been referred to as the Ngā Puawai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe (Future Search Project). The project was endorsed by the Board as part of its support for the Toheroa Strategic Plan 2022–2030 for Te Rarawa ki Ahipara. The commitments articulate practical kaupapa intended to steer the implementation of Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe (the Beach Management Plan).

The agreed commitments under Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe include:

- 1. Balanced decision-making.
- 2. Ensuring safe, respectful, and appropriate vehicle use.
- 3. Implementing land-use practices that protect Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.
- 4. Promoting investment to grow a sustainable, resilient economy.
- 5. Establishing an iwi-led ocean centre of excellence.
- 6. Achieving the goal of abundance of kaimoana and taonga species, with toheroa identified as a tohu (symbol/indicator).

The Ngā Puāwai process is essential as it provides guidance to prioritise the Board's work and partner contributions, running alongside the existing Beach Management Plan (Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe). The newly scoped Technical Advisory Group (TAG) is explicitly tasked with supporting the delivery of both Te Rautaki o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe and Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe. Furthermore, the TAG's forthcoming work programme is required to reflect the direction set by the Board, the priority actions in the Beach Management Plan, and the principles of Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.

In support of the initiative, the Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board previously endorsed that any funding for the Ngā Puawai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe (Future Search Project) be directed to Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa as the conference organiser in 2023, however in recent workshops the Board has requested an update of the recent funding received. The Board also continues to endorse the positive actions undertaken by Te Puāwaitanga related to enhancing the mauri of Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe through the lens of the Toheroa but has requested that any further funding applications need to be endorsed and mandated by the board in the first instance.

It is recommended that this be included as a priority in the work programme for the TAG to ensure the Board can endorse any future projects related to Te Puawaitanga.

# Recommendation(s)

- 1. That the report 'Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe' by Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere Strategic Partnerships and Engagement and dated 19 September 2025, be received.
- 2. That Ngā Puawai o te Oneroa ā Tōhe be included as a priority in the work programme so that the Board endorse any future projects and funding related to Te Puawaitanga.

# **Options**

No.	Option	Advantages	Disadvantages
1	Board endorses the recommendations	Ensures a clear process for Board to endorse any future projects, funding and opportunities.	No apparent disadvantages
2	Status quo	No increase in workload for board.	Potential of missed opportunities for Board i.e. funding, promotion of role of board etc.

The staff's recommended option is Option 1 Board endorses the recommendation.

# Attachments/Ngā tapirihanga

Nil