

## Ngā Minitī o Te Poari o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Te Oneroa-A-Tōhē Board Minutes

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

### Tuhinga (Present):

Chairperson, Lisa McNab	Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa
Deputy Chair Hilda Halkyard-Harawira	Far North District Council
Graeme Neho	Ngāti Kuri Trust Board <i>(via audio visual link)</i>
Harata Brown	Te Aupōuri
Mayor Moko Tepania	Far North District Council
Cr Joe Carr	Northland Regional Council
Cr Marty Robinson	Northland Regional Council

### I Tae Mai (In Attendance):

#### Huihuinga i te katoa (Full Meeting)

Auriole Ruka	NRC Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and Engagement
Jonathan Gibbard	NRC CEO
Kim Peita	NRC Te Tiriti Partnerships and Engagement Manager
Ruben Wylie	NRC Pou GM Environmental Services <i>(via audio visual link)</i>
Sheila Taylor	Tehuiaconsulting <i>(via audio visual link)</i>
Meloney Tupou	NRC Te Tiriti Partnerships and Engagement kaiawhina
Sandra Harris	NRC Personal Assistant - Environmental Services
Louise Mischeweski	Te Rarawa <i>(via audio visual link)</i>
Marlema Baker	FNDC <i>(via audio visual link)</i>
George Riley	Te Rūnanga o Te Rarawa
Abbey Brown	Ngāti Kuri
Guy Holroyd	FNDC CEO
Tammy Wooster	FNDC
Louise Mischeweski	Te Rarawa <i>(via audio visual link)</i>
Marlema Baker	FNDC <i>(via audio visual link)</i>

The Chair declared the meeting open at 10am.

### Karakia Whakamoemiti Timatanga -

*At the final Board meeting of the triennium, Board members paid their respects to the Board, acknowledging the collective contributions, leadership, and commitment demonstrated throughout the term.*

## **Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0) nil**

## **Ngā whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)**

### **Moved Joe Carr/Harata Brown**

That the apologies from *Wallace Rivers and Theresa Bhurhardt* 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.

- *Beach Board Chair and George Riley – Ngā Puāwaitanga o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe.*
- *Harata Brown – Te Aupōuri Committee of Management Waka Te Hāua-Taiāpure*

## **Confirmation of Minutes - 18 July 2025 (Item 4.1)**

### **Report from Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin**

#### **Moved Hilda/Neho**

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.

**carried**

## **Financial Report (Item 5.1)**

### **Report from Meloney Tupou, Maori Governance and Engagement Support Admin**

#### **Moved McNab/Hilda**

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

**carried**

*Secretarial Note:*

- *Joint Standing Committee for Council therefore why do costs need to come from settlement money it should come from council budgets.*
- *Beach Board funding remains unresolved, with no clear direction once the current allocation is exhausted. The NRC CEO acknowledged the need for a dedicated discussion to explore the pathway forward, including what the funding model could look like and how it might be structured to ensure sustainability.*

#### **Action –**

*The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) review the operational costs of administration and remuneration and submit them for the councils to budget as part of the financial sustainability work programme of Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board. (NRC, FNDC and Technical Advisory Group).*

**Moved: Tepania/Brown**

## Carried

### Secretarial Note:

- *Secretariat - review the last 3 years of costs and pull together the budget.*
- *Importance of securing long-term operational sustainability for the Board. Councils were urged to allocate adequate budget to support the ongoing costs of Board meetings.*

## Re-establishment of the Technical Advisory Group (Item 5.2)

**Report from Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and Engagement and Ruben Wylie, Pou Tiaki Taiao**

### 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.

### Secretarial Note:

#### Additions to add to the Work Programme

- *Budgets and forward planning*
- *Strengthening relationship and accountability with Central Government*
- *Communications, plan and support for the Board*

*The initial planning phase of the Workplan will focus on identifying required resources. The report presented today can be re-phased at the next meeting to align with evolving discussions and priorities. TAG provides the mechanism to progress work and report on priorities.*

*Wāhi Tapu is included in the Workplan and should remain a strong focus, as it may support future legislative developments.*

*Iwi members are divided regarding processes and Workplan. Ngāti Kuri and Te Aupōuri would like to be given time to discuss outside of Board meeting before proceeding. A decision by November 2025.*

*Suggestion TAG could bring pros and cons of advancing or not advancing and identifying the risks and challenges to the December meeting and what it will achieve.*

## Ngā Puāwai o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe (Item 5.3)

**Report from Auriole Ruka, Pou Manawhakahaere - Strategic Partnerships and Engagement**

### 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.

### Secretarial Note:

- **Technical Advisory Members**
  - *Te Aupōuri - Tipene Kapa-Kingi/Nicky Conrad*

- *Ngāti Kuri- Theresa Bhurhardt /Sheila Taylor*
- *Te Rarawa George Riley/Sheena Penward*
- *NgaiTakoto – require update from Wallace Rivers. NRC to follow this up.*
- *Theresa Bhurhardt, NRC and FNDC to begin discussions to ensure the right technical staff are involved. This should include the Chief Executive or a delegated representative from each council, to support informed and effective decision-making.*

**Additional Report** - *Ngā Puāwaitanga o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe report be received and included in the workplan so it comes in the jurisdiction of the Board.*

*The operational arm of Ngā Puāwai currently falls under one iwi. Given this structure, it is recommended that a transparent and formal entity be established to manage operations.*

*To enhance transparency and operational clarity, it is suggested that Ngā Puāwai establish a Management Team.*

*Recommendations 1 and 2 – Board received*

**Further recommendations suggested**

- i) Support Ngā Puāwai in a new Foundation North application and fundraising initiatives to restore waterways*
- ii) Support Ngā Puāwai using the Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Beach Board website and logo for Ngā Puāwai initiatives*
- iii) To continue to be the governance structure for Ngā Puāwai*
- iv) To agree that Te Rarawa is the administration body for the new Foundation North application if successful*
- v) That the work programme for any funding is approved by Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe and includes all iwi*

*The Board received the report and will workshop the matter prior to the December meeting, with the intention of returning to the table with agreed recommendations for consideration*

- 1. The report be received**

**Moved: Carr/Brown**

**Carried.**

- 2. Ngā Puāwaitanga o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe be endorsed**

**Moved: McNab/Moko (not carried sit on the table)**

- 3. Beach Board - workshop the supplementary paper to prepare a recommendation regarding Nga Puawai to the December 2025 Board meeting.**

**Moved: Brown/Halkyard-Harawira**

**Carried.**

**Report received will lie on the table**

**Action** - The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) review the operational costs of administration and remuneration and submit them for the councils to budget as part of the financial sustainability work programme of Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board. **(NRC, FNDC and Technical Advisory Group).**

**Action** - NRC secretariat to book workshop prior to December 2025 meeting to consider recommendations regarding for Ngā Puāwaitanga o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe report. **(NRC secretariat)**

**ACTIONS:**

<b>1.</b>	The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) review the operational costs of administration and remuneration and submit them for the councils to budget as part of the financial sustainability work programme of Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board.	NRC, FNDC and Technical Advisory Group.
<b>2.</b>	Book workshop prior to December 2025 meeting to consider recommendations regarding for Ngā Puāwaitanga o Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe report.	NRC secretariat
<b>3.</b>	Review the operational costs of administration and remuneration and submit them for the councils to budget as part of the financial sustainability work programme of Te Oneroa-a-Tōhe Board.	NRC, FNDC and Technical Advisory Group

*As this was the final meeting of the triennium, well wishes were extended to all members moving forward.*

**Whakamoemiti whakamutunga:** The meeting concluded at 12.45pm.