

**Pukehina Ratepayers and Residents
Association
Annual General Meeting 2026**



Agenda

- Welcome
- Overview of the Objectives of the PRRA
 - Passing of Previous Minutes
 - Treasurers Report
 - Chairmans Report
 - Introduce our councillors
 - Presentations
 - Election of new committee members
- Feedback and Questions from members and community
 - Meeting Close – Cup of Tea

Your 2026 Committee

Stu Mallasch - Chair

Joanne Coupe -Treasurer

Lorna Sullivan - Secretary

Bronwyn Clarke

Lynne Slattery

Esther Kirk

Richard Glover

Carole Forrester

Kim Buchan

- We are an Incorporated Society with Charity Status.
- We have been around for over 30 years.
- Totally voluntary with no reward – (other than satisfaction for helping make a better community)
- Anyone can be nominated for the committee. It is not exclusive.
- We are democratically voted in at the AGM.
- We are the Councils recognised group that speaks on behalf of all Pukehina residents for the betterment of the community and to take any issues to the council.
- We do not make any rules, we follow the councils.
- We do not have our own agendas.
- We do not hold any money from the council.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Treasurers Report

Chairmans Report

Objectives of our Association

1. To promote a safe and friendly community that cares for the special environment and character of Pukehina Beach.
2. To promote awareness and discussion on matters of interest to the Pukehina Community.
3. To assist with the development and provision of excellent community facilities for everyone to enjoy.
4. To represent the views of ratepayers and residents to our local councils.



What your support enables in our community 😊

Annual subscription of \$30 goes towards:

- Bikes on Beach registration & signage
- Costs of meetings
- Our Pukehina website www.pukehinbeach.co.nz
- Contributions to other small community projects.
- Administration fees for the three resource consents we hold



Bay of Plenty Regional
Council

Western Bay Councillor



John Scrimgeour

Our Councillors - Maketu -Te Puke Ward



Shane Beech



Laura Rae



Grant Dally

All who have been very supportive in raising our issues at council meetings, advising us of council decisions and events

Eastern Community Board Members



Sally Benning
Deputy Chair



Manvir Mann

Te Puke/Maketu Community Board Boundaries



**His Worship the Mayor
James Denyer**



Communications

We utilise a range of communications:

- Regular notices on Information Board & FB page
- Special newsletter updates: Coast Care and Hall (Emailed, Facebook, Flyers)
- Website: updates, minutes,
- Submissions to Council – written & in person
- Signage – beach accesses
- Welcome pack for new residents



Pukehina Ratepayers' & Residents' Association Inc. Community Update Xmas/New Year 2024/2025

SEASONS GREETINGS to all. We hope this newsletter finds you all well and looking forward to a relaxing summer ahead at the beach.

Some beach updates for you all:

Community Hall

The hall is finished but we are waiting on council consent to open up. Work completed has been painting – inside and out - new internal handrails, new wheelchair access, new exit stairs, new emergency exit signs and lighting, new heat pumps, new lighting etc.

Coast Care

Push ups have just been completed on the worst affected houses from the last cyclone. They look great and planting has been completed.



Gym Equipment – Midway Park

3 pieces of gym equipment have been installed at Midway park for everybody's use. During the year we also installed a BBQ. Please keep tidy. A new concrete path has been installed for easier access.

Hot Days and Swimming

The surf club continue to do a marvellous community service for all who enjoy the surf. For **safety** please swim between the flags. Their clubrooms are looking fantastic and a credit to them for their fundraising and vision.

To assist them, always let someone know where you are going swimming, never go into the surf fully clothed (especially jeans), keep an eye out for rips and ALWAYS keep an eye on your children.

Fishing Club

The 'Take a kid fishing' is happening again on Thursday Jan 2nd. Registration starts at 9-30 am at the surf club. More info is on their Facebook page.

Vehicles in Pukehina

There has been a number of complaints regarding the speed of vehicles along the parade. Some are locals, some are not, some cars, some motorbikes, some male, some female – however as we have lots of children and animals (especially this time of year) this is unacceptable. Those repeat offenders are known and may receive either a letter or a visit regarding their behaviour. The local police know the issues here.

Locals do not want to be the fun police, but we also do not want to have the speed lowered, nor speed bumps installed nor more regular police patrols as a deterrent. We do not want to be restricted like Papamoa up the road who require helmets, licences and registration when using ATVs with fines for non-compliance - but something will change if certain people cannot change their behaviour.



Resource Consents our Association hold

1. 67403: Cycle/walkway development (along estuary from Surf Club to Cut Water Road)
2. 6815-LC.01: Dune replenishment
3. 40138.0.01: Construct and maintain a replacement seawall on the Western side of Pukehina Spit, Little Waihi Estuary (a historical consent)



Targeted rates our community has

We have two targeted rates that are collected on our behalf by WBOPDC:

1. Pukehina Beach Coastal Charge (to help mitigate the effects of erosion and work towards creating a healthy dune system along the beach)
 - current fund amount \$308,000 (as at June 2025)
 - \$10.23 inland charge and \$67.58 coastal
2. Community Centre
 - targeted rate = appears on your rates bill as combination of insurance and maintenance: \$30.34



Coast Care continues to be a big focus

- Sand dunes are the backbone of our beaches, they buffer between the land and the sea.
- Healthy dunes are wide, gently sloping and have many dune plants to help anchor them
- At Pukehina we are planting native sand binding plants, spinifex and pingao and controlling weeds, and managing our resource consent when we need repair work.
- Order plants now for May/June planting time!



Post Cyclone Hale and Gabrielle

- These two large storm events in 2023 impacted a number of areas along the beach resulting in significant erosion.
- We did three separate works in 2023, one in 2024, and one in 2025
- 2025 saw the completion of this remedial work.



Big losses of dune around 211-219 - back to 2018 erosion event almost



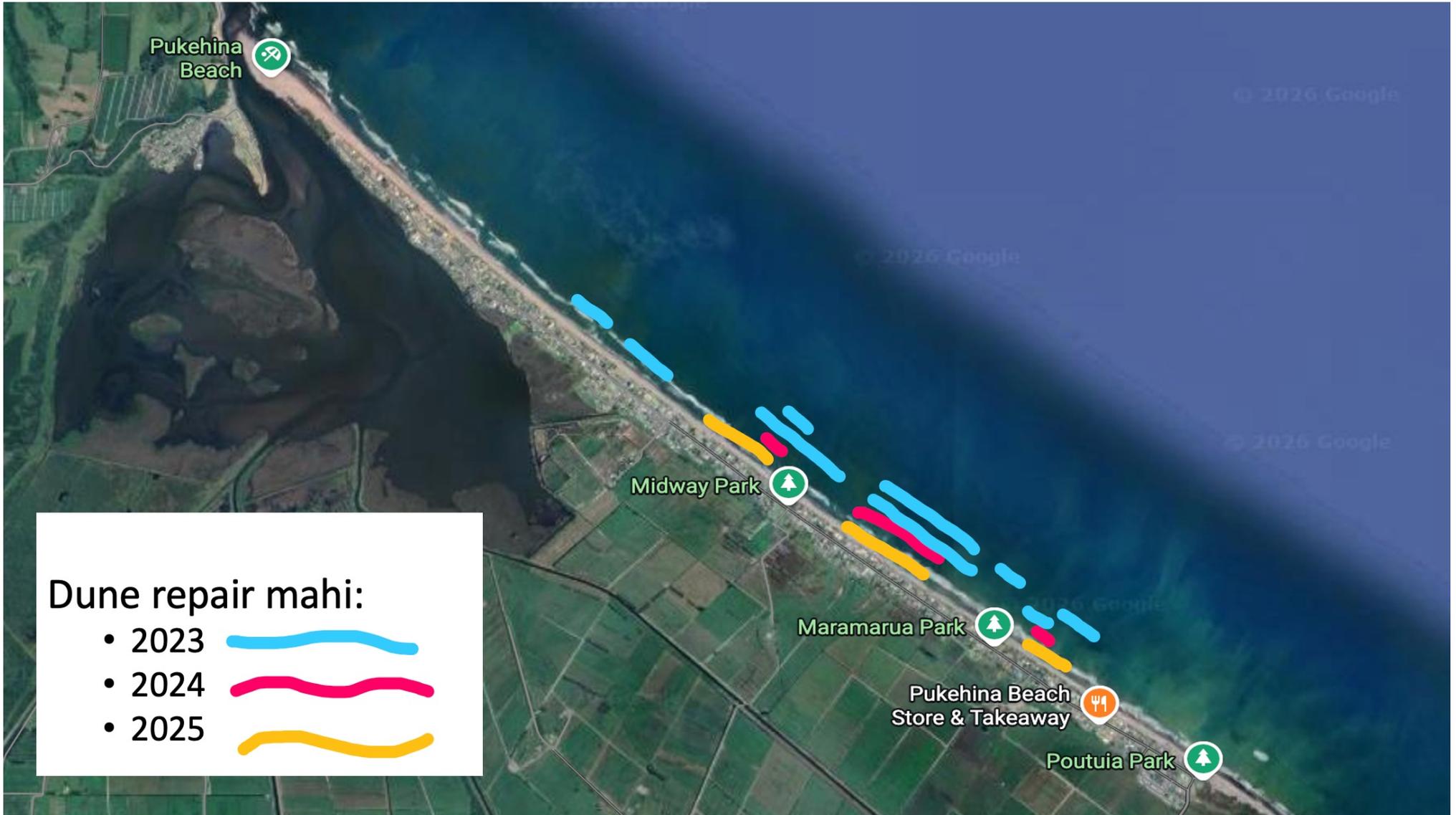
Some success at Kevin & Lorna's house where they had come back 15m into their property and planted with spinifex - usually this area would be all gone but plants and a lot of sand has been retained after these two cyclone events



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Dune repair mahi:

- 2023 
- 2024 
- 2025 

- Other areas are all looking great, plants are growing and running and the last storm was almost a natural pushup.
- Jim Dham is completing a summary report of the last two years of our coastal mahi for us.
- As a community we could look to apply to BOPRC for funding to look at further planning for adaption to our changing climate.



Adapting to a changing climate

Is your community prepared?

Funding available now

Is your community facing challenges related to our changing climate? Whether it's coastal erosion, flooding, threats to food supply, or something else - we're here to help Bay of Plenty communities take charge, understand climate risks and plan for the future. We have dedicated **community-led adaptation funding** and some technical help to support these efforts.

Visit our website to learn more about funding support available as well as climate projections boprc.govt.nz/adaptation-funding

Up to \$20,000 per project per year



Our Coast Care updates for Pukehina

Keep up to date with latest works on the beach, and see what mahi we have done to support the restoration of dunes in Pukehina. We have actioned our resource consent to help rebuild following Cyclone events, and due to the efforts of many of us, and supported by our targeted rate, our community is in a good position to continuing creating a more resilient coastline.

Please note, use the form at the bottom of the page to report any significant erosion following storm events, or to share a success story in your area of the beach.

Click on the newsletters below to keep up to date too!

September 2020 [PDF](#)

June 2022 [PDF](#)

January 2023 [PDF](#)

May 2024 [PDF](#)

December 2020 [PDF](#)

July 2022 [PDF](#)

Feb 2023 [PDF](#)

October 2024 [PDF](#)

April 2021 [PDF](#)

June 2023 [PDF](#)

November 2025 [PDF](#)

August 2021 [PDF](#)

November 2023 [PDF](#)

Erosion, steep banks and exotic vegetation July 2021



Weed removal & reshape completed Oct 2021



Communications we share

Dune repair work for the Pukehina Community

Kia ora,

Following a recent beach inspection, the Pukehina Residents and Ratepayers Association (PRRA) advises that dune repair work will be taking place from Tuesday 18th through to Tuesday 25th November 2025, in three areas of the beach.

- The work is limited to the dunes fronting:
- 105 - 113 Pukehina Parade
 - 203 - 233 Pukehina Parade, and
 - 345 - 353 Pukehina Parade

This dune repair work will reinstate dune width that has been eroded during various easterly wave events over the 2025 winter and provide a buffer for the likely La Nina (i.e. higher cyclone risk) conditions predicted for the 2025/26 summer.

As with previous work, the proposed dune repair will largely involve a bulldozer pushing up sand from upper intertidal beach to widen the dune seaward, with use of an excavator where required to shape sand placed at higher elevations.

The dune reinstatement work will be undertaken by Readfields Ltd of 56 Conway Road, Paengaroa. Readfields are responsible for management of Health and Safety during the works including safety monitors onsite. Coastal scientist Jim Dahm of Eco Nomos Ltd will oversee the work acting on behalf of PRRA.

Important to note:

- Please lift any sand ladders back into your section/on the top of the dune, prior to Tuesday 18th November
- Readfields contractors are following a plan compiled by our consultant and approved under our consent – they cannot make any changes onsite. All questions need to be directed to Jim Dahm please; jdahm@etra.co.nz

If you have questions regarding the above push up work, please reach out.

Ngā mihi
Richard Glover and Esther Kirk
Pukehina Ratepayers' & Residents' Association
Pukehina.br@gmail.com
<https://www.pukehinabeach.co.nz/coast-care/>



Paradise created by nature and cared for by the community

Coast Care Update for the Pukehina Community October 2024

Kia ora koutou,

Please find information below from our consultant Jim Dahm on the final dune repair work following Cyclones Leda and Gabriel. Other areas of the beach have recovered well and for those people who planted post push ups in 2023 there is lots of growth and lengthy spinifex runners taking hold.

Please note that this upcoming work is for the area from 203-233 - Residents in this area have received an email. We will also have a message up on the community noticeboard opposite The Store from Labour Day.

"The remaining work is limited to a short length of beach (about 280m) extending from 203- the most seriously affected area of the beach in the earlier storm works in this area. This was reinstatement work in early 2024 however, adequate beach repair had only occurred over the last month. Weather permitting, the works will likely start on Tuesday 29 October when the tides are next suitable. We suspect the work will take 5-6 working days."

Please take care around the machines operating on the beach and follow the instructions of our contractors Readfields, and their onsite Health and Safety team.

Ahead of the push up:

- If you have some spinifex runners that have taken off and they are easy to pull back up towards your property please do so. NB it is not essential as they will grow up and through the sand.

Action post push up:

- Richard Glover has been watering trays of spinifex stored at his place for each place in this area
- Once the salt has been washed out of the sand give it 1-2 weeks or after a good rain these plants can go into the new push up, as landward as possible.
- Please collect your tray, and a bag of fertilizer from Richard Glover's house 223 Pukehina Parade, text 027 212 3256 or arrange pick up
- Please do not build any new stair structures down the pushup. WBPDPDC would like residents to use the formed beach accesses, esp if you are adjacent to these, or join up with another few properties to use existing stairs (like at 223).

If anyone has any questions re push up mahi, please reach out to Richard who is in touch with Jim Dahm.

Any questions re plants, weed spraying or suitability of planting back into sections please get in touch with Chris Frank of Coast Care on Chris.Frank@pwr.govt.nz or 020 4116 2959

Kia pai te ra, enjoy the day!
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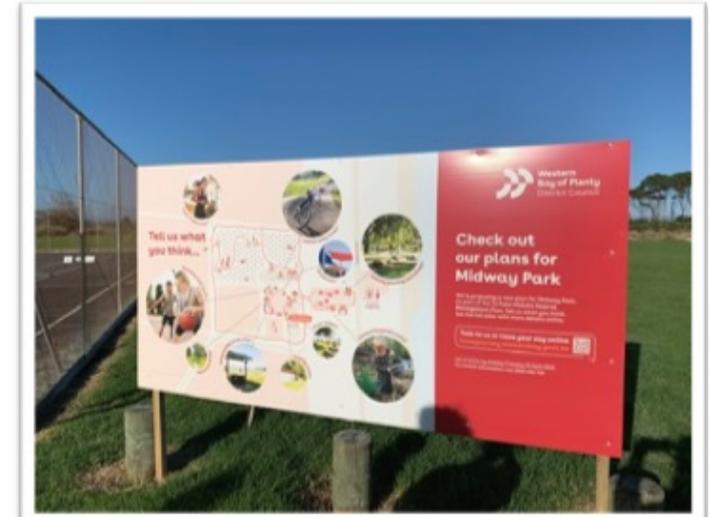


Pukehina Coastal Beach Charge

- Current fund is \$308,000. Rates collected each year total approx. \$15,704.54. We earn interest as well.
- Push ups over past four years have cost between \$26k and \$50k (per year)
- It's a huge positive we have this rate (and resource consent)
- Some areas for discussion into the future are:
 1. Is the rate take enough for the work we do?
 2. Do we look at an additional contribution per property for push up work? \$100, 200, 500....? (like Waihi Beach)
 3. We can ask WBOPDC to consult with our community on options.
 4. Other thoughts and ideas – space on sheets at the back 😊

Parks and Reserves

- Submitted on the WBOPDC Parks and Reserves Plan
- Worked with Reserves team to implement projects
- Encouraged residents to log issues on Antenno
 - Mowing frequency has been a problem at all of the parks
- Fixed beach access ways that were in the erosion zone as part of Coast care push up work



Estuary – water quality

A hapū led group are leading the restoration of the estuary with support from BOPRC, DOC & MOWS and landowners to make significant changes in the catchment.

For us in Pukehina it's about:

- Ensuring our septic tank systems are cleaned every 3 years and upgraded with new builds
- Helping with riparian and wetland planting days
- Ensuring stormwater is clean, and drains are cleaned/sufficient (WBOPDC)

▼ *Te Wahapū o Waihi - Revitalising Waihi estuary*



A very special place

A wide variety of native and migrant birds use the estuary and mudflats for feeding and roosting, especially during the winter.

- Bar-tailed godwits (*Limosa lapponica*), royal spoonbills (*Platalea regia*), heron, wrybill (*Anarhynchus frontalis*) and the extremely rare and threatened fairy tern (*Sterna nereis*), Dotteral and Bittern.
- The estuary has large areas of natural saltmarsh, an enclosed mainly freshwater wetland, streams and farm drains (currently being restored with Wai Kōkopu Trust).
- Cutwater Road Wetland Project underway.



Variable Oystercatcher



Bar-Tailed Godwit



White-Fronted Tern



Pukehina Cycle & Walkway

Pukehina Ratepayers' & Residents' Association

0  1,150 Meters



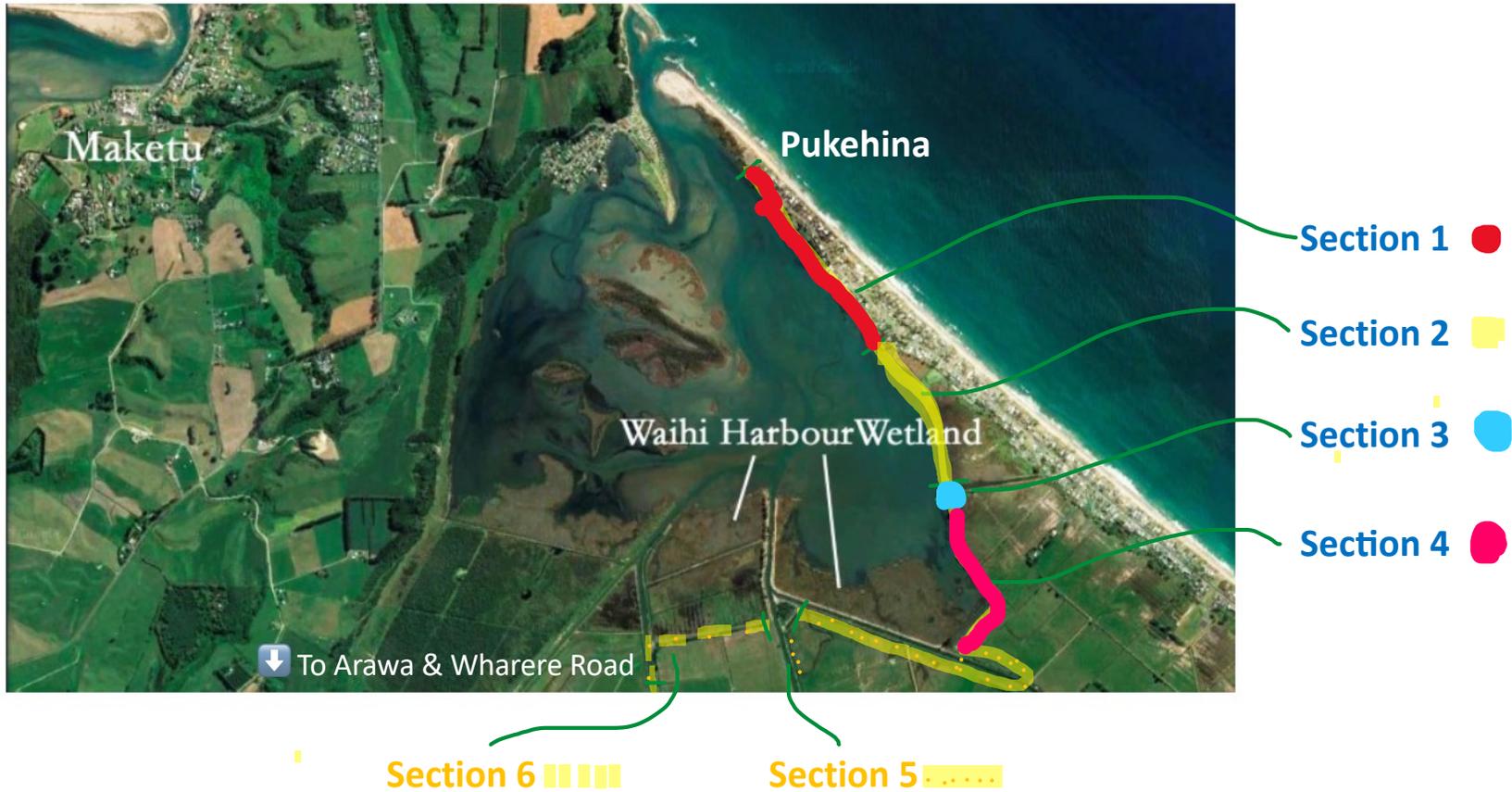
Where are we at in 2026?

It's an exciting project that's been a long time in the wings but things have been progressing!

1. We have created some interim solutions to make parts of the trail more accessible:
 - completed erosion control works in section 1 of trail
 - replaced the set of stairs with a new set that includes a bike gutter to the stop bank
 - Mow the the stop bank (thanks Neil Carter!) post the weed control that MOWS have done/do
 - marked the trail through the wetland ready for boardwalk
2. We have secured some funding for the boardwalk and bridge sections:
 1. \$50k from WBOPDC to assist with boardwalk planning and implementation
 2. \$150,000 from the Pukehina Development Fund to assist with boardwalk construction
 3. A RFP bridge with handrails to go across the stop bank (from WBOPDC)
3. Are working with:
 - MOWS to extend the weed control programme for cooch grass
 - Ngāti Whakahemo to name the walkway
 - Other organisations like DOC, Fish & Game, Te Wāhapu o Wāihi to ensure we all understand the roles and conservation focuses for this precious area.



The Trail 😊



Section 1: Ororoa Reserve to 604 Pukehina Parade

- This section is Crown Land, a grass reserve strip that will remain unchanged.
- We completed a coastal report in 2021 and removed over 6 tonnes of concrete rubble at the Boat ramp/Oruroa Reserve.
- We completed sand re-nourishment (using sand from the Surf Club building excavation), removed rubbish dumped and buried over the years, relocated picnic tables, laid topsoil and grass:
 - This has created a welcoming start to the trail and restored the mauri of this area.
 - It no longer floods in king tides
 - Great partnership with Ngāti Whakahemo hapū, WBOPDC, BOPRC, DOC & the Surf Club.
 - Thanks to all the volunteers that helped!



Section 2: 604 Pukehina Parade to culvert

- This section of the trail is wetland and will comprise of a raised wooden boardwalk and some mowed grass parts.
- It will be able to be used by bikes, walkers, pushchairs, wheelchairs and mobility scooters.



Section 3: Bridge across the culvert

- The aim here is to construct a small bridge from the boardwalk (section 2) across to the top of the stop bank.
- We have been donated a RFP bridge with handrails & BridgeIT now doing installation planning.
- We built an interim set of stairs in 2022, with a bike gutter so the stop bank pathway is accessible at low tide.



Section 4: Along the stop bank to the Pukehina Canal

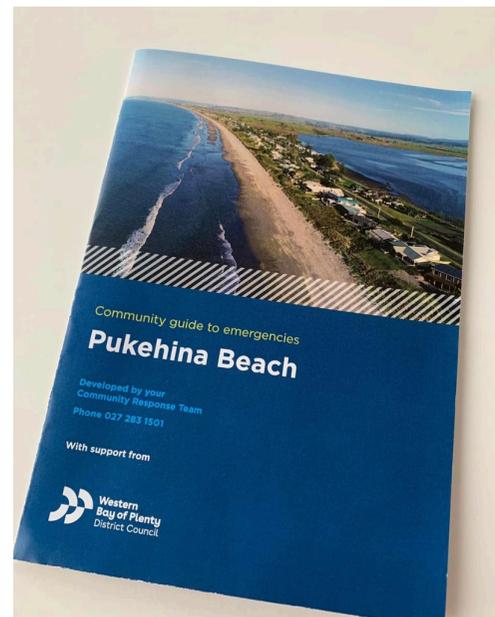
- Once up on the stopbank the pathway goes to the Pukehina awa/canal, then you turn around and re-trace your steps
- MOWS have cleared the stopbank of pampus and gorse and this is now regularly mowed by the adjacent landowner.
- The aim here is to keep mowing this area along to the Pukehina canal. We think it will be suitable as is without constructing a pumice track.
- *NB: future plans could include linking to Cutwater Road or Midway Park but will require more kōrero.*



Civil Defence

Carole, Bronwyn & Lynne are our Civil Defence Co-Ordinators

New Tsunami Evacuation Brochures have been delivered
Mike Eru tests the hall CD Radio every Wednesday morning.
In a disaster our hall can be utilised.
If we are required to evacuate, or if you need to evacuate your property, our team will open up Pongakawa Hall, next to the Pongkawa School for you to stay



Quad Bikes & ATV Registration

- Website registration is very effective.
- A total of 300 registered bikes.
- New signage along the beach and at entrance ways have been put up.
- Please register and encourage others to register and get a number
- Reminder that there are council rules (on our website) regarding use of quads on the road and on the beach – any incidents and the council can change them and ruin the enjoyment for everyone..
- As a community, please lets encourage all users to be safe
- NO cars, 4WD vehicles and No Two Wheelers are allowed onto the beach
- Thanks to Ray White for providing the numbers

CCTVs

- Council owned Cameras are located at Surf Club, Motunau Park (opposite Monty's) , Midway Park, Entrance to the beach outside the motor camp.

However, an issue with this is locating footage quickly enough as only council and the Police can access.

- A number of people have installed their own, which the police or affected people may openly request by notification.
- The PRRA is intending to go ahead with installing a camera system that will be available 24/7 and almost immediately.
- It will involve setting up a new 'Community support' group that will include people who have their own camera systems to be involved.

Vehicles speeding on the Beach

We still have a number of people on the beach travelling at speed.

It is 50 kph and as we have kids and animals travelling across the road for park and beach we do not understand why you need to zoom along at 80 to 100kph.

Please talk to your neighbours, friends, contractors, temporary accommodation people etc.



Western BOP District Council are responsible for:

- Parks, playgrounds and boat ramp
- Infrastructure (pipes, footpaths, roads)
- Water – stormwater, drinking water, wastewater
- Bus and library services
- Rubbish dumping, graffiti, kerbside rubbish and recycling
- Blocked public toilets or drains
- Stray/problem dogs
- Beach accesses/walkways



If you spot a problem in our community with any of the above call Western Bay of Plenty District Council on (07) 571 8008 and submit a “Service Request”.

Alternately you can submit via their website or the Antenno App.

Western BOP District Council Communication

- Antenno feedback can be slow
- Council Contractors have been known to go to wrong place
- Mowing of parks was sporadic – OK at present

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***Western Bay of Plenty
District Council***

Antenno.



↓ Download

Antenno helps connect you with the WBoP District Council so you can be informed and get involved. Through Antenno you can receive up-to-date, relevant notifications for places and topics you care about.

And if you spot a problem or have a suggestion, you can report this to authorities quickly and easily, helping to improve your community.

The app is simple and easy to use. You don't need a login, and you don't need check the app for new information - Antenno lets you know when something comes up

**Council Chief Executive Officer
Miriam Taris**



Pukehina Ratepayers & Residents Association AGM

Council update

1. Annual Plan 2026/27

- What to expect in the Annual Plan
- Key questions
- Timeline

2. Rating Revaluations

3. Pukehina Beach Development Fund

4. Reform

5. Representation Review

6. What's Been Happening/Planned

Annual Plan 2026/27



A one-year
plan: 1 July
to 30 June



Covers
costs and
funding



Updates
Council's
projects

- ✓ We're largely on track with what we said we would deliver in the Long Term Plan.
- ✓ Our focus is on the basics people rely on every day - water, roads, wastewater, stormwater, waste, parks and libraries. NZTA funding reduced
- ✓ Costs are increasing, so we're being careful and looking for savings
- ✓ The Annual Plan keeps spending focused on essentials and what matters most to the community.

What does this mean for rates?

Proposed rates increase

- Existing ratepayers: 8.13%
- Overall average (incl. growth): 9.13%

* This is lower than the 9.64% planned for 2026/27 in the Long Term Plan 2024–34.

* Rates increases will differ by property by based on location, services, Capital Value and Land value



Rural

11.5% (Average change)

∅ Median CV (\$1,360,000)



Residential

3.9% (Average change)

➤ Median CV (\$1,010,000)



Lifestyle

11.9% (Average change)

∅ Median CV (\$1,830,000)

Annual Plan 2026/27 - Key changes

Local roads

- Proposed additional **\$5.8m investment**
- Including **\$3.1m** for environmental maintenance, mowing, vegetation control, and safety work

Community Boards

- Shared funding approach proposed
- Basic admin costs paid by everyone
- Local projects funded within each board area

Water charges

- Proposed increase to volumetric (m³) charges
- Costs shared more fairly based on water use

Local roading projects

- **\$500k one-year allocation** proposed
- Focus on smaller urban projects
- Reflects unspent reserves and lower urgency



Annual Plan timeline

19 March

- Council adopts consultation document

20 March

- Consultation opens

21 March – 18 April

- Community drop-in events

20 April

- Consultation closes

23 April

- Hearings (optional to speak)

May

- Council considers feedback

June 2026

- Final Annual Plan adopted
- Rates set

Join the conversation



Have your say

 **Online**

yourplace.westernbay.govt.nz/annual-plan-2026-27

 **In person**

Te Puke

Sat 28 March · 1 – 3pm – Te Puke Library Boardroom

Maketū

Sat 28 March · 10am – 12pm – Maketū Community Centre



Rating Revaluations

Residential

- Average residential values down 7% since 2022
- Average dwelling value: \$977,000
- Average land value down 9.1% to \$574,000

Lifestyle

- Average capital value down 9.9%
- Average lifestyle dwelling value: \$1.436m
- Average land value down 14.6% to \$770,000

Horticulture / Rural

- Slight softening across most property types
- Kiwifruit values eased at revaluation date
- Pastoral and dairy values vary by location and quality

Local Government Reform

Back to basics

- Focus shifting to core services
- Infrastructure delivery prioritised

Systems Improvement Bill

- Changes the purpose of local government
- Council has provided feedback

Rates capping

- Possible cap on rates increases
- Early range discussed: 2–4%

Simplifying Local Government

- Proposal to change how councils work together
- Future regional planning led by mayors

Planning & environment laws

- Two new laws replacing the RMA
- Expected to take effect mid-2026

What's Been Happening/Planned



Reserves



- **Seabreeze Reserve play space:**
Replacement of the rocker under investigation.
- The equipment is 16 years old and has reached the end of its life in a coastal environment.



Midway park BMX track:
Project underway with Council support



Transportation

Pukehina Parade – Road Surface

- Resealing is not feasible due to multiple existing seal layers and high bleeding risk in warm weather.
- Alternative treatments are being assessed.
- Pavement maintenance will continue, including an asphalt mill and fill patch near 206 Pukehina Parade.



Footpaths

- Two damaged sections reported near properties 130 and 465 Pukehina Parade. Repairs scheduled 20/03/2026

Community Safety (CCTV)



Pukehina Incident Report Snapshot (2025–early 2026)

Total incidents recorded: 8

- **Driving behaviour issues: 3**
(minor complaints, unroadworthy vehicles, dirt/quad bikes on public roads)
- **Rubbish and amenity issues: 2**
(overflowing bins, illegal dumping in parks)
- **Serious incidents: 3**
(family/domestic harm, assault/dangerous driving, mental health-related; all emergency services responded)

Community Safety (CCTV)

Police involvement:

- Police responded to most safety incidents.
- Minor issues were monitored or referred without further action.

Location pattern:

- Most reports occurred in public areas, indicating visibility rather than ongoing risk.

Key takeaway for the community:

- Incident numbers were low.
- Most issues were minor or related to amenities.
- Serious incidents were rare and addressed promptly.

Compliance & Monitoring

- **No reported dog control issues**
- **Increase in shipping containers** placed near boundaries or within coastal erosion areas
 - Property owners encouraged to speak with a duty planner before placing containers, as rules vary
- **No significant freedom camping issues**
 - Night-time visibility of signage noted and will be considered in the next bylaw review





Thank you

**Community Acknowledgements
And
Pukehina Development Fund
Allocations**

Pukehina Development Fund

- Consultation day at the Hall -an amazing turnout of over 100 people.
- We received 116 submissions on the proposed allocation of the Fund
 - Widespread enthusiasm for the Pump Track and Cycleway/Walkway – especially to support youth and active lifestyles.
 - Requests for refurbishment to improve functionality and accessibility of the community hall.
 - Continued support of environmental protection in particular Coast Care and dune protection and estuary restoration.
 - Desire for some funds for the local organisations listed.
 - A minority of comments questioned spending priorities or preferred a more conservative investment approach.



Project opportunities for our Pukehina Community

There are already some fantastic projects happening right here in Pukehina - driven by community passion and long-term planning.

Through the repurposing of the Pukehina Development Fund, we now have a shared opportunity to support and strengthen these projects together. It's about making sure the fund benefits our community in ways that matter most to us.

 Pukehina Ratepayers' & Residents' Association Inc.

 Western Bay of Plenty District Council

Pukehina Volunteer Fire Brigade

We would like to acknowledge the amazing people who comprise of our Fire Brigade - Pukehina's True Heroes

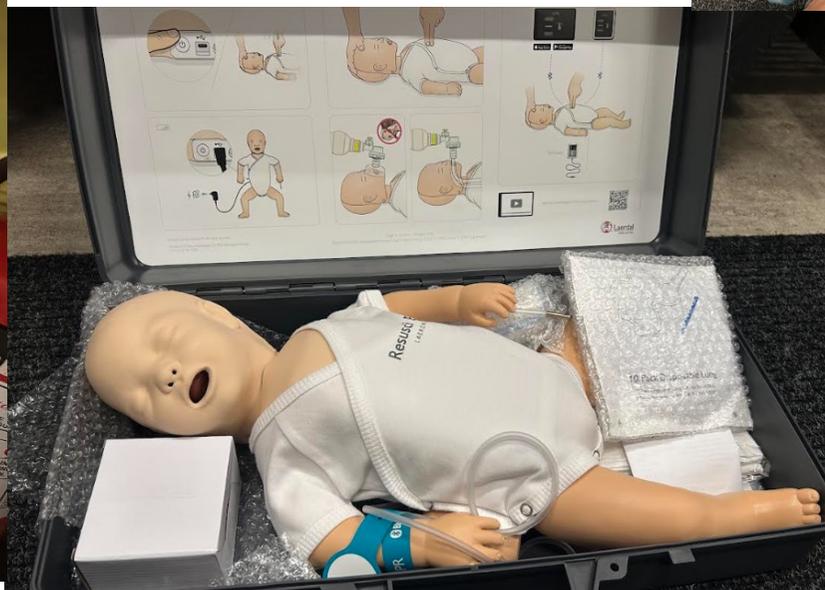
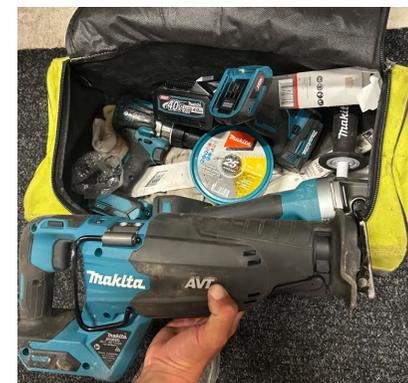


**Thank you to
Errol and his
team**

**Please note; they
are always
looking for new
volunteers**

Fire Brigade PDF Allocation- \$25,000

Purchase of tools for accessing cars/houses, baby and teenage mannequins for training, Monitors for vitals, Gazebo & Recruitment Flags, Consumables





Pukehina Surf Rescue

More local Heroes – our Pukehina Surf Life Saving Club.
Also organise fun run, polar plunge & new year breakfast
Thanks to Mel and her team



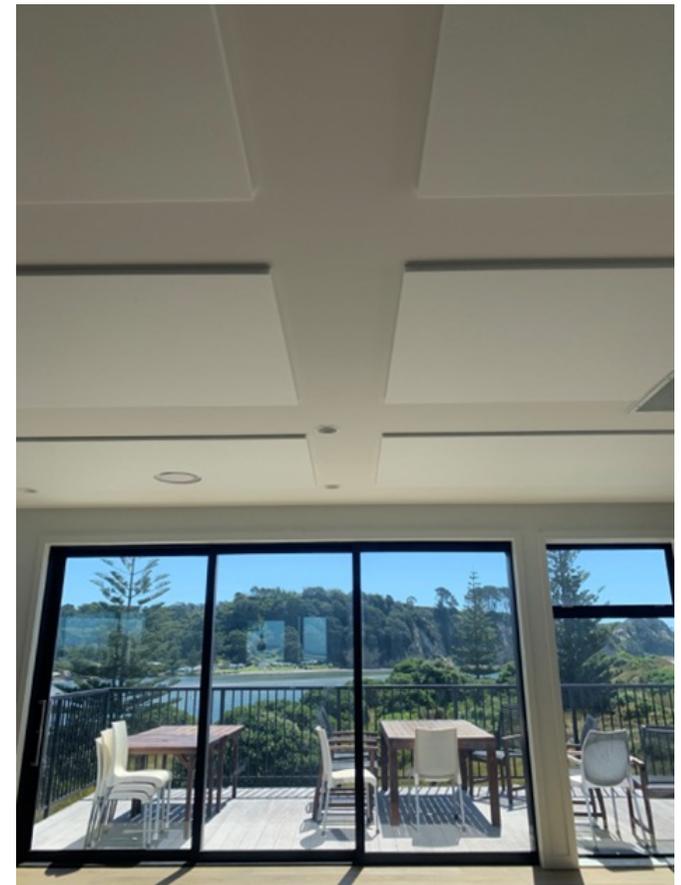
**Street Party – Saturday –
March 28th at 1pm**



Surf Life Saving PDF Allocation - \$25,000



Purchase of Acoustic Panels for roof of new clubrooms



Pukehina Fishing Club



- Monthly competitions
- ANZAC Weekend Competition
- Labour Weekend Competition
- Photo Competitions
- and their hugely successful 'Take a Kid Fishing' day where 85 kids entered and all won a prize



Fishing Club PDF Allocation - \$23,168.10

**Purchase of Heat Pump,
Oven, Fridge, TV,
underfloor heating,
Concrete Path,Mat**

Pukehina Fishing Club – Development Fund Purchases 4/2/26



Air Conditioning Unit



New Fridge/Freezer
and New Oven with
Extractor Fan



New TV and Sound Bar
New Entrance Mats



Underfloor Insulation
New paint for container
and new paint for inside

Te Wahapu o Waihi – Pukehina Wetlands

This project is to restore the health and create a clean wetlands to filter water that will go the Waihi Estuary. A high priority biodiversity site this will provide a better habitat for both fish and birds



PDF Allocation- \$25,000

**New signage, entrance
way and carpark area.**



Community Hall PDF Allocation \$105,441



- The **Hall loan** (used to make it water tight, new stairs, fire compliant, painted etc) has been paid off.
- The targeted rate has now been dropped from rates payments and we have returned to a maintenance and insurance fee on our rates bill - \$30.34.

Community Centre PDF Allocation - \$20,102.70

New Kitchen equipment, 2 table tennis tables, Badminton set, New tables, Furniture, New bowls for Bowling Club, Levelled Floor, pathway, projector and inflatable screen



Midway Park Pump Track PDF Allocation \$125,000



Acknowledgements

- Community Constable – Rameka Poihipi
- Pukehina Marae - Ngāti Whakahemo hapū
- Predator Free Pukehina
- Surfing for Farmers run by Jason Rive
- Pink Ribbon Cancer fundraising event at the Pukehina Retreat run by Kerry and her dedicated helpers
- Pukehina Walkie Talkies run by Boyd Harris

Various Recreation groups and events;
Walking and Cycling Groups,
Wellness Groups, Potluck Dinners, Wine Club,

Pukehina Surf n Sand Autorama

Another very successful show put on last weekend. Thank you to all the sponsors, volunteer army, the entrants and the public who turn up to support.

However the true legend here is **Stu Brickland** the organiser and his wife Brenda. Won the TV1's Good as Gold award for contribution to the community.



Monty's – Not just a café & bar – but meeting hub and venue for knitting club, mother get togethers, weekend and night markets, cycling groups



Projects we want to work on for the next year

- Dips/Potholes in road that need digging out and replacing
- Paint toilet block
- Mow along queens chain from surf club to walk way access
- Boat ramp upgrade
- Clean up turn off from State Highway 2
- New entrance sign
- New Logo
- Rumble strips on chicane by Costello Crescent
- Digital speed readout along the parade
- Water Quality
- Understanding Security Checks
- Upgrading Beach Access

Election of Members...

Election of new committee members:

If you would like to assist the committee or help with any of our projects please let us know;

- Call for nominations for Chairman
- Call for nominations for Committee Members



Where to from here?

- Gathering feedback and ideas for 2026
- Pukehina Website <https://pukehinabeach.co.nz> and where you can find key documents such as:
 - Civil Defence
 - PDF Project Updates
 - Bikes on Beach – register your beach vehicle
 - Become a member

Meetings are second Monday every month at 7pm at the Community Hall



Any questions please

Motion 1

Just raising a safety concern around the boat ramp. There are regular situations where children are playing, swimming, kayaking, and other users are in and around the ramp while boats are launching or retrieving. That's creating a real safety risk for both the public and boat users.

Can the Association please look at either establishing a clearly designated area so the ramp can be used safely for boats, or installing clear signage asking that the area is kept clear when the ramp is in use?

It's about making sure the space works safely for everyone and reducing the risk of an accident

Motion 2

Subject: Allocation and Sustainability of the Dune Restoration Fund

Proposed Motion:

That the Pukehina Ratepayers Association adopts a policy whereby funding from the Dune Restoration Fund is allocated to any individual property no more than one event in a three year period. Any additional coastal protection or “push-up” works required for that property within that timeframe shall be the responsibility of the property owner to fund privately. The property owner is required to plant and maintain the dune restoration to receive further assistance.

Background and Rationale:

The Coastal Erosion Fund exists to support the protection and resilience of our entire beachfront community. Its purpose is to ensure fair and equitable access to resources, particularly in response to significant weather events and coastal hazards.

It has been observed that:

- Some properties in what seems in one part of the beach have been affected and received multiple sand push-up interventions, in certain cases several within a single year and over more than a one per year period.
- Other properties have either not required intervention or have received minimal support.
- There are instances where ongoing property maintenance, such as appropriate planting and weed control to stabilise dunes, is not being consistently undertaken.

While it is reasonable to support properties facing genuine and periodic erosion challenges (for example, one intervention within a five-year cycle), repeated and frequent works for the same properties place undue pressure on the shared fund.

This approach risks depleting resources that are intended to serve the broader community—particularly in the event of a significant storm or erosion event (such as a recurrence of a major weather system similar to Cyclone Bola), where multiple properties may be simultaneously affected.

Principles of the Motion:

- Equity:** Ensuring all ratepayers have fair access to the fund.
- Sustainability:** Preserving the fund for future large-scale erosion events.
- Responsibility:** Encouraging property owners to actively maintain their frontage and contribute to long-term coastal stability.

Additional Request:

To support transparency and future planning, it is further requested that:

- A breakdown be provided of historical Coastal Erosion Fund expenditure, including:
 - Total cost per push-up event
 - Proportion of costs attributed to consultancy versus machinery and operational works
 - Number of properties serviced per intervention
- Based on this information, an indicative forward budget be developed to guide sustainable use of the fund.

Conclusion:

This motion seeks to balance immediate support for affected properties with the long-term resilience and fairness of the Coastal Erosion Fund. By introducing reasonable limits and improving visibility of costs, the Association can ensure the fund remains viable and effective for the benefit of the entire community.

Managed Retreat

Last year there was robust discussions regarding managed retreat, this seems to have gone quiet other than the government is working on a climate change adaptation paper, which according to Mark Mitchell will be hopefully be completed by end of this year, with no timeline on consultation. This paper will be focusing on land slips and river flooding as this has been the major topic lately ie Esk Valley, Christchurch, Mt Maunganui etc. so we dont expect any information until this time next year.

Whilst I am happy for anyone to discuss with local or central government the issue or current paperwork around it, this will be a national issue and not a Pukehina one. This means there would be consultation from central and local government first and following that, we have the ability to call a special meeting to discuss any impacts.

As we will not be able to resolve here today, I would like to see sub-committee to be convened under our umbrella for consultation if anyone would like to be involved please contact after the meeting

Thank You

Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee and a sandwich or biscuit so you can chat with our committee, sign up to be a part of this great community or chat with our council colleagues.

