Pukehina Community Centre/Hall

History of the Hall:

• Community funded building 1996, on land leased from WBOPDC, Ratepayers contribution was \$5.60 p/y in rates for upkeep.

• Current Situation:

- Has been closed since September 2020 because of water tightness issues, no Building Warrant of Fitness or Certificate of Public Use.
- The PRRA took over the administration of our Hall end of 2020, with the view of trying to discover what needed to be done together with Council for sign-off, to be able to get our Hall up and running again, or possible other outcomes that would be cost-efficient to our community.
- WBOPDC ran a consultation process and community accepted a targeted rate to go towards remedial work to fix the community centre. This will appear on your rates bill in two instalments: Insurance and maintenance; \$6.50 and \$30 for repairs.

Update on actions from 2021:

- Maintenance that has been completed:
- Cleared all gutters (100kgs of debris, Downpipes all cleared, Plumbing work: tap wear and kitchen sink washers all repaired, wastes (septic, outlets and vents now up to scratch), all pipe and wire penetrations now sealed, New drain installed to the front of the emergency vehicle shed (as per the original drawings of 1997)
- Received Thermal imaging report with Structural engineer and fire report being finalised
- Started on some of the fire and accessibility requirements

Huge mixture of 'behind the scenes' successes and let downs:

- We now have a signed lease with WBOPDC.
- Awaiting a lot of pricing for the upgrade and repair work (fire system upgrade, external fire escape stairs and weather tightness repairs).
- We are aiming to obtain a Certificate of Public Use (CPU), at which point the Hall can be opened again
- Our relationship with Council has strengthened following a large number of meetings and we are moving forward together.

We are continuing to do our best under current trying circumstances to get what needs to be done as soon as possible ©