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Me Heke Ki Pōneke

Ordinary Meeting of Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board Rārangi Take | Agenda

7:00pm Rāpare, 12 Mahuru 2024

7:00pm Thursday, 12 September 2024

Ōhāriu Valley Hall

550 Ohariu Valley Road

Wellington



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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson will open the meeting with a karakia.

Whakataka te hau ki te uru,	Cease oh winds of the west
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.	and of the south
Kia mākinakina ki uta,	Let the bracing breezes flow,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.	over the land and the sea.
E hī ake ana te atākura.	Let the red-tipped dawn come
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.	with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
Tihei Mauri Ora!	a promise of a glorious day

At the appropriate time, the following karakia will be read to close the meeting.

Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Draw on, draw on
Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana,	Draw on the supreme sacredness
te wairua	To clear, to free the heart, the body
I te ara takatū	and the spirit of mankind
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
Kia wātea, kia wātea	Let this all be done in unity
Āe rā, kua wātea!	

1.2 Apologies

The Chairperson invites notice from members of:

1. Leave of absence for future meetings of the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board; or
2. Apologies, including apologies for lateness and early departure from the meeting, where leave of absence has not previously been granted.

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 1 August 2024 will be put to the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board for confirmation.

1.5 Public Participation

A period of at least 10 minutes shall be set aside near the beginning of Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board meetings to enable members of the public to make statements about any matter on the Agenda for that meeting. The total time set aside for public participation may be extended with the majority agreement of the Board.

1.6 Items not on the Agenda

A motion relating to any matter not on the Agenda may be made without notice, by the unanimous resolution of the meeting. The Chairperson shall explain to the meeting why the item is not on the agenda and the reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

2. Reports

ORAL UPDATES

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

1. This report to Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board provides an opportunity for Council officers, external organisations and Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board members to share progress on relevant issues.

Relevant previous decisions

2. Nil

Financial considerations

- Nil Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Unbudgeted \$X

Risk

- Low Medium High Extreme

Author	Steph James, Democracy Advisor
Authoriser	Sean Johnson, Democracy Team Leader

Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend the following motion

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Receive the information.

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3. The following oral updates are scheduled to be delivered at this meeting:
 - a) Transport Update – Richard Davidson.
 - b) Chairperson's Update – Mark Reed.
 - c) Members' Updates – all Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board members.

Attachments

Nil

NEW LICENCE FOR CAPITAL KIWI TRUST BOARD ON RESERVE LAND

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

1. This report to Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board seeks approval for a new licence for Capital Kiwi Trust Board on reserve land; subject to public consultation.

Strategic alignment

2. The most relevant community outcomes, strategic approaches, and priorities for this paper include environmental wellbeing – A city restoring and protecting nature.

Relevant previous decisions

3. In May 2021, the Regulatory Committee approved a new licence to Capital Kiwi Trust Board on a three-year term.
4. In the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan, it was resolved to contribute \$100,000 annually to Capital Kiwi Trust Board alongside GRWC to continue working with mana whenua and private landowners to enhance landscape-level pest control, support biodiversity goals, and boost tourism through the reintroduction of kiwi to the Wellington area.

Significance

5. The decision is **rated low significance** in accordance with schedule 1 of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy. The licence is for already established activities that serve as fit-for-purpose community and environmental wellbeing initiatives on reserve land.

Financial considerations

Nil Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Unbudgeted \$X

6. There are no financial investments required from the Council in the proposed licence.

Risk

Low Medium High Extreme

7. This proposal is rated as low risk on Council's risk framework.

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Authoriser	Ben Keat, Community Partnerships Manager Paul Andrews, Manager Parks, Sports & Rec James Roberts, Chief Operating Officer

Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

- 1) Receive the information.
- 2) Approve a new licence for Capital Kiwi Trust Board for three years with two rights of renewal through until 31 October 2034.

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8. The Leases Policy for Community and Recreation Groups (Leases Policy) sets out the Council's role in granting leases and licences on Council-owned land and/or buildings on Wellington Town Belt or reserve land.
9. This paper requests Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board approval for the next step in the leasing process under the Leases Policy for Capital Kiwi Trust Board (Capital Kiwi), situated at 29 South Makara Road, known as Mākara Village Recreation Reserve.
10. Given Capital Kiwi's ongoing programme to improve environmental wellbeing and the Council's commitment to provide financial support through the 2024-2034 Long-term Plan, Council Officers recommended a longer tenure term of 10-years.

Takenga mai | Background

11. The Capital Kiwi Project spans 23,000 hectares, from Red Rocks in the south to west of Porirua. A network of 4,600 traps is deployed to target the primary threat to juvenile Kiwi: stoats. The Capital Kiwi Project is a collaboration between residents, landowners, and Iwi, working together to transform the scale and pace of kiwi conservation.
12. Capital Kiwi has been established in the Mākara Village Recreation Reserve since 2021, which is a central location for the programme's operations. This site works as a depot for fieldwork, including storage areas for all fieldworkers and trap equipment, as well as a small portacabin office space. All field equipment is stored at this location for easy access to the project's trap network on neighbouring properties around Mākara and Ōhāriu.
13. In addition, Capital Kiwi uses this location to host key stakeholders at the site and conducts field tours and outreach events, including Kiwi aversion training for local dog owners, as well as trapping workshops for other community groups who service traps in the trapping network.

Kōrerorero | Discussion

Lease Policy compliance

14. The Lease Policy sets out the criteria to consider when assessing a new lease and licence applications:

a. Strategic Fit: The group's purpose and activities must be consistent with the Council's strategic direction to promote healthy lifestyles and build strong communities

The Capital Kiwi Programme aligns with Wellington City Council's strategies by enhancing biodiversity, promoting community engagement, and supporting ecotourism, reinforcing the Council's commitment to environmental sustainability and cultural heritage.

b. Organisational structure: The group must be an incorporated society or trust

Capital Kiwi is a registered charitable trust.

c. Membership: The group must be sustainable in terms of membership and/or users of the service for the term of the lease

The Capital Kiwi Programme ensures sustainability by fostering a dedicated community of volunteers and they maintain continuity through effective training, local partnerships, and cultivating a shared responsibility for kiwi conservation.

d. Financial and maintenance obligations: The group must be in a financial position to fulfil its lease obligations for the term of the lease, including but not exclusive to rent, insurance and building and grounds maintenance

The Capital Kiwi Programme has provided evidence that they will be sustainable for the duration of the licence through diverse funding sources such as government grants, private donations, and local business partnerships. It also leverages volunteer support to minimise operational expenses throughout the licence period.

e. Utilisation: The land and/or buildings must be utilised to the fullest extent practicable

Capital Kiwi's use of reserve land for their depot is a good utilisation of the reserve, as this area currently serves primarily as open space without a specific use.

f. Environmental Impact: The activity cannot have the potential to adversely affect open space values or other legitimate activities

The Capital Kiwi Programme supports open space values by maintaining the natural landscape and promoting biodiversity, which enhances the ecological health of the area.

g. Community demand: There must be demonstrated support and need within the community for the activity

The Capital Kiwi Programme meets community demand by actively engaging local residents in conservation activities and educational initiatives. Their efforts in maintaining the natural landscape and promoting biodiversity resonate with community values and contribute to the broader goal of preserving open space for future generations.

Licence Term

15. The new licence would be initially granted for a three year period with two rights of renewal. The first renewal would be for a further three years and the second renewal for four years concluding at 31 October 2034.

Kōwhiringa | Options

Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board has the following options:

16. Approve a new licence for Capital Kiwi for up to 10 years, subject to public consultation (recommended); or
17. Reject officers' proposal to commence public consultation for Capital Kiwi, thereby ending the Lease Policy process (not recommended).

Whai whakaaro ki ngā whakataunga | Considerations for decision-making

Alignment with Council's strategies and policies

18. The Capital Kiwi Programme aligns with Wellington City Council's Biodiversity and Environmental policies, Leasing Policy, and relevant management plans.

Engagement and Consultation

19. The approval process for new leases and licences is assessed as low significance per the Significance and Engagement Policy.
20. If the recommendations in this report are supported, officers will begin public consultation as per the Leases Policy and Reserves Act 1977 requirements, including:
 - Letters to Mana Whenua.
 - Letters to relevant residents' groups.
 - Notice on WCC website "Have Your Say".
 - Notice in The Post newspaper.
21. The period for public consultation will be 30 days. Following the receipt of feedback, officers will meet with submitters as required to discuss any matters raised.

Māori Impact Statement

22. The proposed licence area is not located near areas of cultural significance to Māori as identified in the District Plan. Officers will raise this proposal with mana whenua as outlined in the Engagement and Consultation section of this report.
23. Partnership with iwi is fundamental to The Capital Kiwi Project, with Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika as a key partner in the western hills of Pōneke and a growing relationship with Ngāti Toa as traps expand northward. Iwi actively engage in trapping, monitoring, educating, and advocating for the project as kaitiaki.

Financial implications

24. There are no financial investments required from the Council in the proposed licence.
25. The annual licence fee is \$437.60 plus GST.

Legal considerations

26. The proposed licence is consistent with the Reserves Act 1977.

Risks and mitigations

27. This proposal is rated as low risk on Council's risk framework.

Disability and accessibility impact

28. The new licence has no detrimental impacts for disability and accessibility.

Climate Change impact and considerations

29. There are no specific climate change impacts or considerations.

Communications Plan

30. Proposed licence is publicly notified following the Lease Policy.

Health and Safety Impact considered

31. The applicants have submitted comprehensive and current Health and Safety plans that Council officers find satisfactory.

Ngā mahinga e whai ake nei | Next actions

32. Following the Board's approval, officers will commence public consultation on the proposed licence for Capital Kiwi;
33. If no sustained objections are received for the licence, then the licence documentation will be negotiated, drafted, and signed.

Attachments

Attachment 1. Licenced Area [↓](#) 

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RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS AND APPROVALS FOR 15 JULY 2024 TO 25 AUGUST 2024

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

Briefly outline the purpose of the paper

1. This report to Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board is to advise the Board of resource consents lodged and decisions on Land Use and Subdivision resource consent applications in Mākara and Ōhāriu.

Strategic alignment with community wellbeing outcomes and priority areas

Aligns with the following strategies and priority areas:

Strategic alignment with priority objective areas from Long-term Plan 2021–2031

- Sustainable, natural eco city
- People friendly, compact, safe and accessible capital city
- Innovative, inclusive and creative city
- Dynamic and sustainable economy
- Functioning, resilient and reliable three waters infrastructure
- Affordable, resilient and safe place to live
- Safe, resilient and reliable core transport infrastructure network
- Fit-for-purpose community, creative and cultural spaces
- Accelerating zero-carbon and waste-free transition
- Strong partnerships with mana whenua

Relevant Previous decisions

Financial considerations

- Nil Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Unbudgeted \$X

Risk

- Low Medium High Extreme

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Authoriser	Bill Stevens, Resource Consents Team Leader Liam Hodgetts, Chief Planning Officer

Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend the following motion:

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Receive the information.

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2. In accordance with an agreement reached with the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board, the purpose of this report is to advise the Board of all resource consents lodged, along with decisions made by Officers acting under Delegated Authority, on Land Use and Subdivision resource consent applications.
3. This report advises the Community Board of resource consent applications received and approved during the period 15 July 2024 to 25 August 2024.

Kōrerorero | Discussion

4. For the period from 15 July 2024 to 25 August 2024, there was one application received by the Council.

<i>Service Request</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Applicant</i>
550195	897 Ohariu Valley Road, Ohariu	James & Anne Conder
Land use consent to establish a residential unit.		

5. For the period from 15 July 2024 to 25 August 2024, there were no applications approved under delegated authority.

Attachments

Nil

FORWARD PROGRAMME

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to provide the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board with an update on proposed discussion items for upcoming board meetings.

Relevant previous decisions

2. Nil

Financial considerations

- Nil Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Unbudgeted \$X

Risk

- Low Medium High Extreme

Author	Steph James, Democracy Advisor
Authoriser	Sean Johnson, Democracy Team Leader

Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend the following motion

That the Mākara/Ōhāriu Community Board:

1. Receive the information.
2. Approve the current work programme, subject to any required changes.

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Thursday 12 September 2024
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Oral Updates<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transport Update• Chairperson's report• Board Members' reports2. Resource Consents3. Consultations and Engagements (if required)4. Forward Programme

Attachments

Nil