

# Taupō District Council

## Notes of Committee Workshop

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| <b>Group</b>                                     | Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Date</b>                                      | Wednesday 6 May, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Venue</b>                                     | Te Mataapuna, Tūrangitukua Park, Hirangi Road, Tūrangi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Topic</b>                                     | Tūrangitukua Park fence damage                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Facilitated by</b>                            | Events and Venues Manager (S Giles)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Committee Members present</b>                 | Poumatua Te Wharau Walker (in the Chair), Member Lauren Fletcher, Cr Ngāhuia Foreman, Cr Sandra Greenslade, Member Bernice Te Ahuru, Member Amy Walker                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Officers present</b>                          | General Manager People and Community Partnerships (H Tattle), Community Engagement and Development Manager (T Russell), Events and Venues Manager (S Giles), Senior Funding and Partnerships Advisor (B Forlong), District Venues Manager (B Green), Co-Governance Management Partner (S Mavor), Iwi Engagement Partner (T Walker), Southern Lake Taupō Management Partner (M Isherwood), Communications Specialist (A Taylor), Iwi and Co-Governance Advisor (A Kereopa), Senior Committee Advisor (K Watts) |
| <b>Public / media present</b>                    | Three members of the public                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Documents either pre-circulated or tabled</b> | PowerPoint presentation (A3939913)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Public or closed<sup>1</sup></b>              | Public                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

### Notes<sup>2</sup>

The Events and Venues Manager shared the PowerPoint presentation (A3939913) which demonstrated photos of damage to the fence at Tūrangitukua Park.

The fencing on the Hirangi Road side of the park had been installed in 2023 at a cost of \$140,000 using the same standard as the Ministry of Education school fencing. The damage made had cost \$4,400 the previous week to repair and over \$3,000 from another incident in the previous three weeks. These unplanned costs impacted operational budgets and funding that would be better spent on maintaining the sports ground.

The Events and Venues Manager asked members to help with a way forward because engineering solutions had not worked to date.

<sup>1</sup> Workshops are public (and are always advertised whether public or closed), unless there is a good reason(s) for information to be withheld and there is no overriding public interest in holding the workshop in public. Withholding grounds set out in the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) are a guide. If closed, cite relevant LGOIMA section.

<sup>2</sup> Workshops are not decision-making forums, therefore this document contains notes of key points discussed only, not decisions.

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Members discussed possible options for more community buy in and agreed on the following actions:

- Produce a series of videos with different focuses
  - o Hapū led message with focus on whenua and ancestral connection
  - o Athlete led message on looking after the playing surfaces and grounds (could use sports collective)
  - o Reuse youth (Wanderers football) video to remind community of range and effect on users
  - o Council staff led message – could we front with one of our sports ground team or parks team? (We want to spend our time on cool stuff)
  - o Event led message – in preparation/lead up to major event weekends we use event organiser to lead communications around value of having the parks and Te Mataapuna.
- Tie in messaging with stopping grazing horses and roaming dogs.
- Repair the damaged fence and consider planting out the fence line over time to provide a natural deterrent.
- Form a working group with hapū representation.

The workshop closed at 10.35am.