



# Southern Tairāwhiti Catchment Advisory Group

## Hui #4 agenda, minutes, and actions

Held at Muriwai Marae on Wednesday 13 August 2025 at 9:15am

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| <b>Advisory Group members present</b> | Kerry Proctor, Jazmine Burgess, Topsy Steele, Soraya Pohatu-Stone, Bryan McCavana, Bella Hawkins, Tangiwai Wilson, Jess Kawenga, Wings Waihi |
| <b>Council/Consultant</b>             | Sarah Thompson, Ariel Yann le Chew, Oliver Vetter, Katerina Maka Wolfgang Kanz   |
| <b>Apologies</b>                      | Mayana Daniels, Marlene Skeet, Charlie Baty, Samuel Lewis  |

### Agenda

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| 1. Karakia and Whakawhanaungatanga                         |
| 2. Housekeeping  |
| 3. Draft Hui 3 minutes                                     |
| 4. Actions and updates                                     |
| 5. Recap: Values   |
| 6. Environmental Outcome                                   |
| 7. Water Quality and Quantity                              |
| 8. Wrap up, Close  |
| 9. Lunch and hīkoi (Te Wherowhero Lagoon, Pākōwhai Stream) |

### Supporting documents

- Draft Hui 3 minutes
- Report 1: Values and Outcomes, Water Quality and Quantity

### Summary of actions

#### Notes:

*Each task is allocated a unique identifier e.g. T2 for ease of reference*

*The numbering continues from previous hui minutes*

| Task ID       | Actions   | Responsible | Due     |
|---------------|---|-------------|---------|
| <b>ST-T01</b> | Staff and Advisory Group to decide the meeting format for subsequent hui (e.g. in-person meetings at different venues, hybrid meetings etc)   | GDC         | Ongoing |
| <b>ST-T03</b> | Discuss how to connect interested Advisory Group members and their groups with Wairoa/Hawke's Bay counterpart (e.g. Tātau Tātau, taiao roopu) to ensure alignment in work programmes in the upper catchment with the lower catchment. | GDC         | Ongoing |
| <b>ST-T07</b> | Staff to investigate how Council could redirect monitoring efforts to where there's need for data   | GDC         | Ongoing |



## Minutes

### 1. Mihi Whakatau, Draft Hui 3 minutes, Actions and updates

- 1.1. Staff and the Group were welcomed onto Muriwai Marae with mihi whakatau. Staff took the opportunity to thank the hosts for extending hospitality to the Group for this kaupapa.
- 1.2. Staff and the Group then had morning tea.
- 1.3. A member of the Group led a brief team exercise where each member identified how others see their role in relation to wai, and shared their personal driver (or value) to be involved in this kaupapa.
- 1.4. Staff set out housekeeping matters and outlined the agenda for the day.
- 1.5. Staff sought feedback on the draft Hui 3 minutes. Hui 3 minutes were finalised with no further amendments needed.
- 1.6. Staff provided an update to actions and recent Resource Management changes:
  - 1.6.1. **ST-T03 Connecting with Wairoa/Hawke's Bay counterpart** – Staff shared that the Policy team were unable to meet with Tātau Tātau o te Wairoa at the kāhui hui on 2<sup>nd</sup> August for the initial meet-and-greet. Staff will look to confirm another suitable hui date for this conversation and update this Group.
  - 1.6.2. **Council position on Plan Stop policy** – Staff shared the letter (to be sent to the Group following this hui) on Council's position regarding the Government's Plan Stop policy and how the policy affects the catchment planning process. Staff reassured the Group that catchment planning development will continue as plan until further amendments have been released.
- 1.7. A member of the Group shared Minister Hoggard's view at the recent Beef and Lamb conference in Wellington, where the Minister is supportive of catchment-based approach and Freshwater Farm Plans in the management of sheep and beef farming. The member noted that incentives are key to support good farming practices, and a bespoke (at regional or catchment level) approach for environmental baseline is preferred over a national standard baseline.

### 2. Recap: Values

- 2.1. Staff recapped the value ranking exercise in Hui 2, with summary of results shared with the Group as part of briefing paper **'Values and Outcomes, Water Quality and Quantity'**.
- 2.2. Staff asked the Group to provide their feedback and comments according to the following questions:
  - 2.2.1. Are there any further additional values not included or identified to date?
  - 2.2.2. Are there any important sites or areas missing from the list?
- 2.3. The Group is to provide all feedback by the next hui 17 September 2025.

### 3. Session 1: Environmental Outcomes

- 3.1. Staff introduced Environmental Outcomes, which are required for each value to achieve the overarching Long Term Vision set for the Southern Tairāwhiti Freshwater Management Unit. The Outcomes must be aspirational and achievable. The Outcomes must be measurable for Council to assess effectiveness of the catchment plan.



- 3.2. The Group formed into four small groups to discuss the draft environmental outcomes and attributes for values identified in Hui 2.
- 3.3. Feedback will be recorded in the briefing paper for the next hui.

#### **4. Wrap up and close**

- 4.1. Staff thanked members for their contributions.
- 4.2. The Group discussed and agreed that the next hui will be on Wednesday 17 September at Ngatapa clubrooms.
- 4.3. The next hui will cover water quantity and action planning, with staff to provide recap to topics covered in the past hui.
- 4.4. The hui closed with a karakia at 12:52PM.