

Monday, 15 December 2025

Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga

Hastings District Council

Hastings District Rural Community Board Meeting

Kaupapataka

Agenda

Te Rā Hui:
Meeting date: **Monday, 15 December 2025**

Te Wā:
Time: **1:00 PM**

Te Wāhi:
Venue: **Council Chamber
Ground Floor
Civic Administration Building
Lyndon Road East
Hastings**

Te Hoapā:
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Te Āpiha Matua:
Responsible
Officer: **Transportation Manager - Jag Pannu**

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TE KAUNIHERA Ā-ROHE O HERETAUNGA

Hastings District Rural Community Board – Terms of Reference

The Community Board is a separate entity to Council. The role of the Community Board is set out in Section 52 of the Local Government Act 2002. Membership of the Board is set out in Section 19F of the Local Electoral Act 2001. The Council is authorised to delegate powers to the Community Board.

Membership (7 members)

- 1) Chair (elected by the Board).
- 2) Deputy Chair (elected by the Board).
- 3) 4 Elected Community Board Members.
- 4) 1 Mōhaka Ward Councillor (appointed by Council).
- 5) 1 Kahuranaki Ward Councillor (appointed by Council).
- 6) 1 Takitimu Ward Councillor (appointed by Council).

Quorum – 4 members

DELEGATED POWERS

General

- 1) To maintain an overview of services provided by Council within the Community Board's area.
- 2) To represent, and act as an advocate for, the interests of the community represented.
- 3) To consider and report on all matters referred to the Board by Council, or any matter of interest or concern to the Community Board.
- 4) To communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community.
- 5) To undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by Council.
- 6) To appoint a member of the Community Board to organisations approved by the Council from time to time.

Long Term Plan/Annual Plan/Policy Issues

Authority to make a submission to the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan process on activities, service levels and expenditure (including capital works priorities) within the Board's area or to make a submission in relation to any policy matter which may have an effect within the Board's area.

Roading and Traffic

Authority to exercise the Council's powers and functions in relation to roads within the Board's area under the following sections of the Local Government Act 1974:

- Section 335 (vehicle crossings);
- Section 344 (gates and cattle stops);
- Section 355 (overhanging trees).

Authority to exercise the Council's statutory powers in accordance with Council policy (including any relevant powers conferred by bylaw) over roads within the Board's area in respect of;

- Road user behaviour at intersections.
- Controls on stopping or overtaking.
- Controls on turning.
- Pedestrian safety.
- Footpath maintenance and improvements.

- Accident investigation studies, lighting and other safety works.

For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this delegation authorises a Community Board to deal with a matter, in the exercise of delegated authority, in a manner which is in conflict with any policy or decision of Council or any standing committee of Council in relation to the same matter.

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Heamana

Chair: Isabelle Crawshaw

Deputy Chair: Abby Morley

Mematanga:

Committee Members:

Peter MacLennan and one vacancy

Ngā KaiKaunihera

Councillors: Elisha Milmine, Derek Nowell-Usticke and Siyam Daniel

Tokamatua:

Quorum:

4 members

Apiha Matua:

Officer Responsible:

Kaiwhakahaere Rōpū

Transportation Manager: Jag Pannu

Te Rōpū Manapori me te

Kāwanatanga:

Democracy & Governance

Services:

Louise Stettner (Ext 5543)

Te Rārangi Take

Order of Business

Apologies – Ngā Whakapāhatanga

- 1.0** At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.
At the close of the agenda no requests for leave of absence had been received.

2.0 *Conflict of Interest – He Ngākau Kōnatunatu*

Members need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision-making when a conflict arises between their role as a Member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to Members to scan the agenda and assess their own private interests and identify where they may have a pecuniary or other conflict of interest, or where there may be perceptions of conflict of interest.

If a Member feels they do have a conflict of interest, they should publicly declare that at the start of the relevant item of business and withdraw from participating in the meeting. If a Member thinks they may have a conflict of interest, they can seek advice from the General Counsel or the Manager: Democracy and Governance (preferably before the meeting).

It is noted that while Members can seek advice and discuss these matters, the final decision as to whether a conflict exists rests with the member.

Confirmation of Minutes – Te Whakamana i Ngā Minitī

- 3.0** Minutes of the Hastings District Rural Community Board held Tuesday 11 November 2025.
(Previously circulated)

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*Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga***Hastings District Council: Hastings District Rural Community Board***Te Rārangi Take*

Report to Hastings District Rural Community Board

Nā:
From: Louise Stettner, Manager, Democracy & Governance Services

Te Take:
Subject: Rural Community Board appointments to Council Committees and Subcommittees

1.0 Purpose and summary - *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga*

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Board to recommend to Council the appointment of a Rural Community Board member to:
- the Performance and Monitoring Committee
 - the Strategy and Policy Committee
 - the Infrastructure Delivery Subcommittee
- 1.2 The Hastings District Council acknowledges the importance of working in collaboration with the Rural Community Board and the value that a “rural lens” brings to the wider strategic thinking of Council. One practical way that Council leverages this relationship is the appointment of Rural Community Board representation to the Strategy and Policy Committee, Performance and Monitoring Committee and the Infrastructure Delivery Subcommittee.
- 1.3 At its meeting on 2 December 2025, Council adopted the 2025-2028 Committee and Rural Community Board Register of Delegations; and the Schedule of Appointments to Committees, Subcommittees and other External Organisations 2025-2028. The Register of Delegations identifies Rural Community Board representation on: the Performance and Monitoring Committee, the Strategy and Policy Committee and the Infrastructure Delivery Subcommittee.

2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūtohunga*

- A) That the Hastings District Rural Community Board receive the report titled Rural Community Board appointments to Council Committees and Subcommittees dated 15 December 2025.
- B) That the Board recommend to Council that a Rural Community Board member be appointed to the Performance and Monitoring Committee.
- C) That the Board recommend to Council that a Rural Community Board member be appointed to the Strategy and Policy Committee.
- D) That the Board recommend to Council that a Rural Community Board member be appointed to the Infrastructure Delivery Subcommittee.

Attachments:

There are no attachments for this report.

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Item 5

*Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga***Hastings District Council: Hastings District Rural Community Board***Te Rārangi Take*

Report to Hastings District Rural Community Board

Nā:
From: **Louise Stettner, Manager, Democracy & Governance Services**

Te Take:
Subject: **Elected Members' Expenses and Allowances Policy**

1.0 Executive Summary – Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is inform the Rural Community Board of the Policy on Elected Members' Allowances and Expenses.
- 1.2 Allowance payments are at the discretion of each Council to a limit set by the Remuneration Authority.

2.0 Recommendations - Ngā Tūtohunga

- A) That the Rural Community Board receive the report titled Elected Members' Expenses and Allowances Policy dated 15 December 2025.
- B) That the Rural Community Board notes the Policy on Elected Members' Allowances and Expenses 2025 (**Attachment 1**).

3.0 Background – Te Horopaki

- 3.1 Travel and other allowance payments are at the discretion of the Council, however these are reviewed annually by the Remuneration Authority and the Council has adopted the rates to the maximum set by the Authority.

4.0 Discussion – *Te Matapakitanga*

4.1 The Remuneration Authority's Determination for the period following the 2025 local authority elections has updated some rates as outlined below.

4.2 Hearing Fees

4.3 The fee paid to a member who acts as the chairperson of a hearing has been increased from \$116 to \$130 per hour and the fee paid to a member on a hearing panel has been increased from \$93 to \$104 per hour.

4.4 Vehicle Kilometre Allowance

4.5 The Remuneration Authority issued a Local Government Elected Members (2025/26) Amendment Determination 2025, the main amendment and update was the vehicle-kilometre allowance following new IRD rates that apply to business motor vehicle expenditure claims. The Authority uses the IRD rates to review and inform the vehicle-kilometre allowance that may be payable to an elected member for costs incurred in relation to the member using their private vehicle for eligible travel while on local authority business. The Authority noted that due to the significant difference in vehicle running costs between different vehicle types, IRD has separated the allowance rates payable for diesel vehicles from petrol vehicles to ensure that the rates accurately reflect reasonable expenditure to the business use of that particular vehicle type. After reviewing the new IRD rates, eligible travel in the determination term is as follows:

For a petrol vehicle \$1.17 per kilometre;

For a diesel vehicle \$1.26 per kilometre;

For a petrol hybrid vehicle 86 cents per kilometre;

For an electric vehicle \$1.08 per kilometre.

4.6 Travel Time Allowance

4.7 The travel time allowance has been increased from \$40 to \$41.30 for each hour of eligible travel after the first hour of time travelled in a day.

4.8 ICT (Information or Communication Technology) Allowances

4.9 No changes have been made to ICT allowances.

4.10 Childcare Allowance

4.11 The maximum childcare allowance per eligible child has increased from \$6,000 per child to \$7,500 during the determination term.

4.12 Home Security System Allowance

4.13 This year, the Authority has introduced a new home security system allowance as it has become increasingly evident that public officials, including local government elected members, are less safe and are experiencing threatening behaviour. The Authority has based this reimbursement allowance on a similar provision for members of Parliament.

4.14 Based on a security threat and risk assessment authorised by the local authority, a local authority may reimburse the expenses of having a security system installed and monitored at a member's primary place of residence within the local authority area up to a maximum of - \$4,500 for purchasing and installing the system; and \$1,000 in any year for monitoring, call-outs and repairs. Subject to eligibility, a member may also be reimbursed for additional expenses for the provision of supplementary security measures.

Attachments:

Summary of Considerations - *He Whakarāpopoto Whakaarohanga*

Fit with purpose of Local Government - *E noho hāngai pū ai ki te Rangatōpū-ā-Rohe*

The Council is required to give effect to the purpose of local government as set out in section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. That purpose is to enable democratic local decision-making and action by (and on behalf of) communities, and to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

Link to the Council's Community Outcomes – *Ngā Hononga ki Ngā Putanga ā-Hāpori*

This proposal promotes the wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

Māori Impact Statement - *Te Tauākī Kaupapa Māori*

This is an administrative matter.

Sustainability - *Te Toitūtanga*

N/A:

Financial considerations - *Ngā Whakaarohanga Ahumoni*

Addressed in the report.

Significance and Engagement - *Te Hiranga me te Tūhonotanga*

This decision does not trigger the threshold in the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

Consultation – internal and/or external - *Whakawhiti Whakaaro-ā-roto / ā-waho*

N/A:

Rural Community Board – *Te Poari Tuawhenua-ā-Hāpori*

The Elected Members Expenses and Allowances Policy applies to the elected members of the Rural Community Board.

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Hastings District Council

Policy on Elected Members' Allowances and Expenses 2025

(As adopted by Council on 2025)

CG-01-04-25-492

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1. INTRODUCTION

In addition to determining the remuneration of elected members, the Remuneration Authority (the Authority) is required to determine the allowances framework for elected members.

The payment of any or all allowances is at the discretion of each local authority. Hastings District Council provides for elected member allowances through the Policy on Elected Members' Allowances and Expenses adopted by Council.

2. COMMENCEMENT

The provisions of this policy take effect from 2025.

3. POLICY ON ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

3.1 Parking

Elected members will be provided with parking spaces at, or close to, the Council's offices for their use when on council business.

Elected members who incur parking charges when on Council business at other locations are entitled to reimbursement of the actual cost. (Note "parking charges" refers to the cost of parking not a parking ticket or fine).

3.2 Use of Public Transport

Elected members who travel by public transport in relation to Council business are entitled to reimbursement of the actual cost. Evidence of the cost incurred should be provided.

3.3 Mayor's Vehicle

The Mayor of the Council will be eligible to be provided with a vehicle. If the Mayor elects to have the vehicle available for private use, a deduction will be made from their salary as determined by the Authority.

3.4 Vehicle-Kilometre Allowance

Subject to the interpretation and exceptions listed below, elected members, excluding the Mayor if provided with a vehicle, are entitled to a vehicle-kilometre allowance when using their own vehicle for Council business.

Eligibility for vehicle-kilometre allowance commences from the member's primary place of residence and ceases at the conclusion of their Council business travel.

Kilometre allowance will be paid at the maximum rate per kilometre as set out in the current Remuneration Authority determination.

An elected member, when travelling from a place where they permanently or temporarily reside that is outside of their local authority boundary, can claim the vehicle-kilometre allowance only when travelling on local authority business for travel once they enter the local authority's boundary.

Interpretation

With respect to vehicle-kilometre allowances and reimbursement of public transport costs, the term "Council business" includes attendance in-person at the following:

- Official meetings of the Council and any committee and subcommittee of Council
- Council workshops
- Meetings and workshops of advisory groups established by Council
- Meetings and workshops of external bodies to which the elected member has been appointed by Council
- Statutory hearings
- Meetings of Council-owned companies
- An external event or meeting where there has been:
 - A resolution of Council or a committee, or
 - An authorisation by the Council's Mayor, or
 - With respect to the member of a committee, an authorisation by the Chairperson of that committee
- Visits to, and tours of, facilities, or sites, or works, for which the Council is responsible, or has involvement in, or which will be the subject of business to come before the Council or any committee
- Seminars and training courses where the elected member's attendance has been authorised
- Discussions with committee chairpersons or Council officers
- Consultation with Mayors, territorial authority committee chairpersons, or elected members
- Official briefings

Kilometre allowance may include travel to and from the member's primary place of residence, if the travel is:

- (a) In a private vehicle; and
- (b) On Council business as outlined above; and
- (c) By the most direct route reasonable in the circumstances

"Council business" does not include events where the primary focus is on social activity.

"Private vehicle" means a vehicle that is not owned or provided by the Council.

Exceptions

If Hastings District Council is providing transport, and an elected member chooses, for personal reasons, to travel separately, they will not be entitled to a kilometre allowance.

Where an elected member chooses, for personal reasons, to travel by private motor vehicle to a council authorised conference or seminar outside of the Hastings District, they will be entitled to a kilometre payment no more than the cheapest equivalent air fares available for the day(s) of travel, where such fares are less than the kilometre allowance at ordinary rates.

3.5 Communications Allowance

It is expected that elected members have their own communications and computer equipment and that these items are available for elected members to use for their Council related business.

Elected members having such items available for Council business are eligible to receive a communications allowance. The rate payable will be the maximum rate determined by the Authority. The rate will be divided into annual allowances for each eligible item made available by the member for Council business purposes:

- Personal computer, tablet, or laptop, including any related docking station
- Printer
- Mobile phone
- Mobile calls
- Internet connection
- ICT consumables

An elected member may be issued with a standard specification Hastings District Council mobile tablet device for use on Council business. The use of loaned equipment by an elected member is subject to the following conditions:

- The loaned equipment is provided for Council business purposes
- The loaned equipment remains Hastings District Council's property at all times and must be returned when requested

Hastings District Council will provide a mobile phone for the Mayor and cover all expenses associated with the use of that phone on Council business. The phone remains the property of the Council, and the communication allowance payable to the Mayor will be reduced as outlined above to reflect the provision of the phone.

NB: ICT means information or communication technology.

3.6 Travel Time Allowance

Elected members may be entitled to a travel time allowance in relation to travel undertaken in relation to Council business. The rate payable will be the maximum rate determined by the Authority.

3.7 Childcare Allowance

An elected member who is responsible for one or more children under 14 years of age may claim a childcare allowance for childcare required whilst the elected member is on council business, for each eligible child up to the annual maximum limit set by the Authority.

The childcare allowance is only payable if:

- (a) The member is a parent or guardian of the child, or is a person who usually has responsibility for the day-to-day care of the child (other than on a temporary basis); and
- (b) The child is under 14 years of age; and
- (c) The childcare is provided by a person who –
 - (i) Is not a family member of the member; and
 - (ii) Does not ordinarily reside with the member; and
- (d) The member provides evidence satisfactory to Hastings District Council of the amount paid for childcare.

Payment of the allowance will be made on submission of a childcare allowance claim from the member. The claim must set out

- the actual costs incurred and paid by the member,
- the date for which the claim is for,
- the nature of the council business the member was undertaking, and
- must include a receipt, invoice or other appropriate record of payment for the childcare services provided.

3.8 Travel from Additional Place of Residence

Where an elected member has an additional place of residence (e.g. a holiday home) and they are travelling from that additional place of residence, and that travel involves a distance and/or duration greater than they would travel if they were travelling from their primary place of residence, then they will only be eligible to claim for the vehicle-kilometre allowance and travel time that would have been incurred from their primary place of residence.

3.9 Conferences, Courses, Seminars, etc.

Elected members authorised to attend a conference, course, seminar, etc., will have attendance fees, travel, accommodation, and meals paid for. Unless otherwise agreed by the Chief Executive, all travel and accommodation will be booked through Executive Assistants.

Core training will be organised by Democracy and Governance Services. Elected member attendance at one-off events in New Zealand will be subject to approval by the Mayor. In the case of attendance by the Mayor, approval will be by the Chief Executive and Manager: Democracy and Governance Services

Overseas conference attendance is to be approved by the Mayor and Chief Executive.

3.10 Clothing

Elected members may be supplied with clothing bearing the Council's branding. These remain Council property at all times.

3.11 Travel Insurance

Travel insurance will be provided for overseas travel on Council business.

3.12 Personal Accident Insurance

HDC's personal accident insurance includes cover for the death or bodily injury of an elected member. Any payment received as a result of a claim made under this cover in respect of an elected member is payable to the Council, and will be utilised for Council purposes only, e.g. as a contribution to the costs of running an extraordinary election. No payment will be made to the elected member (or their estate) who is the subject of the claim.

3.13 Home Security System Allowance

Based on a security threat and risk assessment authorised by the Council, elected members may be reimbursed for the expenses of having a security system purchased, installed and monitored at the member's primary place of residence within the Hastings District area up to the maximum amount allowed by the Authority.

A member may also be reimbursed for additional expenses for the provision of supplementary security measures at their primary place of residence within the Hastings District area if the security threat and risk assessment recommends that those supplementary security measures be provided to the member; and the Remuneration Authority, on application from the Council, approves reimbursement of the additional expenses arising from the provision of those supplementary security measures.

3.14 Payment

Where applicable, allowances will be paid fortnightly.

Claims for expenses should be made fortnightly on the forms provided, no later than three months after the date the vehicle-kilometre allowance or expense was incurred, and should include all relevant receipts.

Completed claim forms and supporting documentation should be emailed to democraticsupport@hdc.govt.nz and hard copies handed to a member of the Democracy Team.

Payment will be made by direct credit.

3.15 Change of Address

If an elected member has a change of address, they must advise the Democracy & Governance Services Team.

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Report to Hastings District Rural Community Board

Nā:
From: Adam Jackson, Transportation Operations Manager

Te Take:
Subject: Rural Transportation Activity Report

1.0 Executive Summary – *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga*

- 1.1 This report is to update the Hastings District Rural Community Board with the Rural Transportation Programmed Project Status and Activities Report.
- 1.2 This report concludes by recommending that the report be received.

2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūtohunga*

That the Hastings District Rural Community Board receive the report titled Rural Transportation Activity Report dated 15 December 2025.

3.0 2025/2026 Major Works Programme

- 3.1 The 2025/26 financial year is the second portion of the 2024-27 Long Term Plan (LTP) programme.
- 3.2 The following is the status of the final Area Wide Pavement Treatment (AWPT) programme for the 2025/26 financial year and beyond.

Road	Section	Status/Impact
Kererū Road	Maraekakaho to Aorangi Road – 5km	Large section of this road partially affected by the effects of TC Gabrielle, predominantly significantly increased

Road	Section	Status/Impact
		quarry loadings. Construction underway – planned to complete in March.
Matapiro Road	Km 0 to km2 Km7 to km10	Construction completed. Construction completed.
Mangaroa Road	0 to 880m	Construction completed.
Soldiers Settlement Road	Puketitiri Road to Pekapeka Stream	Designs are complete and includes the Soldiers Settlement culvert replacement. The works are planned to be completed by May 2026
Waipunga Road	State Highway 5 to bridge	The investigations and designs are in progress – Works are planned to be completed by May 2026
Raukawa Road	Various sections	Designs are completed. Work to be completed by May 2026.
Puketitiri Road	Various sections	The investigations and designs are in progress – Works are planned to be completed by May 2026
Waimārama Road	RP 10.55 – 10.67	In construction – completion by December 2025

- 3.3 The 2025/26 reseal programme has started. All reseals are programmed to be completed by the end of February 2026. An action photo of the bitumen sprayer and chip spreading truck can be seen below:



4.0 Crown Resilience Funding applications

- 4.1 With reference to our paper to Council in December 2024, and the RCB meeting in May 2025, we are bringing updated details relating to our application to NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) (NZTA) under the Crown Resilience Fund.
- 4.2 As background, NZTA is taking a pro-active approach for resilience strengthening networks as there will be a change to the emergency event funding from the 2027-30 NLTP.
- 4.3 Hastings District Council was advised that there was 77% subsidy available for works up to \$6,4M, subject to the specifics of the projects being approved by NZTA
- 4.4 We have submitted several projects, and the table below lists those that have been approved by NZTA.
- 4.5 We are preparing a full paper for council to request the local share component of \$1,471,770 over two financial years (\$132,250 in 2025/26 and \$1,339,520 in 2026/27)
- 4.6 The projects proposed are as follows:

Project name	Risk Name	2025/26	2026/27	Total	Local share component @ 23%
Waimarama Road_Resilience Improvements_RP4160 - 5290_Drainage capacity increase	Upsizing undersized culverts	\$130,000	\$624,000	\$754,000	\$173,420
Waitara Road Resilience Improvements_RP13668_Draiange capacity improvement	Upsizing undersized culverts	\$75,000	\$665,000	\$740,000	\$170,200
Salisbury Road Resilience Improvements_RP225_Draiange capacity increase	Upsizing undersized culverts	\$120,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,620,000	\$372,600
Ocean beach Road _Resilience Improvements_RP3235_Drainage Improvements and slip repair	Drainage improvement to stabilise slip	\$85,000	\$500,000	\$585,000	\$134,550
Waimarama Road Resilience Improvement_RP9900_Shoulder slip repair	Slip repair	\$65,000	\$350,000	\$415,000	\$95,450
Pakaututu Road_Resilience Improvments_RP 5960- 9770_Drainage improvements	Road drainage improvement and River scour protection	\$30,000	\$300,000	\$330,000	\$75,900
Apley Road _Resilience Improvement_ RP 2636_Drainage culvert improvement	Upsizing undersized culverts including downstream	\$25,000	\$225,000	\$250,000	\$57,500

	scouring protection				
Crownthorpe Settlement Road Resilience Improvement_RP2685_Upsizing culvert	Upsizing undersized culverts	\$20,000	\$330,000	\$350,000	\$80,500
Wimarama Road_Resilience Improvement_RP12718_kerb & channel improvement	Slip repair/ Drainage improvement	\$25,000	\$350,000	\$375,000	\$86,250
Crownthorpe Settlement Road_Resilience Improvement_RP1740_upsizing culvert	Restore structural integrity by upsizing culvert and adding inlet/outlet structures.	\$-	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$92,000
Waipunga Road_Resilience Improvement_RP17215_Upsizing culvert	Upsizing culvert and adding inlet and outlet structures	\$-	\$110,000	\$110,000	\$25,300
Waipunga Road_Resilience Improvement_RP13633_Upsizing culvert.	Upsizing culvert and adding inlet and outlet structures	\$-	\$165,000	\$165,000	\$37,950
Hukanui Road Resilience Improvement – RP3679 – Upsizing Culvert	Upsizing culvert and adding inlet and outlet structures	\$-	\$166,000	\$166,000	\$38,180
Waipunga Road Resilience Improvement_RP13430_Upsizing culvert	Upsizing culvert and adding inlet and outlet structures	\$-	\$140,000	\$140,000	\$32,200
		\$575,000	\$5,825,000	\$6,400,000	\$1,472,000
				<i>local share 2025/26</i>	\$132,250
				<i>local share 2026/27</i>	\$1,339,750

5.0 Transportation Long Term Plan (LTP) Strategic Planning

- 5.1 As an initial process for our transportation long term plan strategic planning, we have held the first of two Investment Logic Mapping (ILM) workshops.
- 5.2 Investment Logic Mapping aids in clearly defining and visualising the logical connections between the actions or plans to solve the greatest problems, it's a mechanism to create a shared understanding of how and why certain actions lead to desired results.

- 5.3 The workshops are broken into two separate days, with the first being the PROBLEM and BENEFIT workshop, which was held at the end of September and the second workshop being the RESPONSE and SOLUTION workshop, planned for February 2026.
- 5.4 Below is the summarised outcome from the PROBLEM and BENEFIT workshop (Note the RESPONSE and SOLUTIONS are blank)

Building a Resilient Hastings Transport Network

Safer, reliable, and sustainable connections for people, business, and communities

INVESTMENT LOGIC MAP

Initiative

PROBLEM

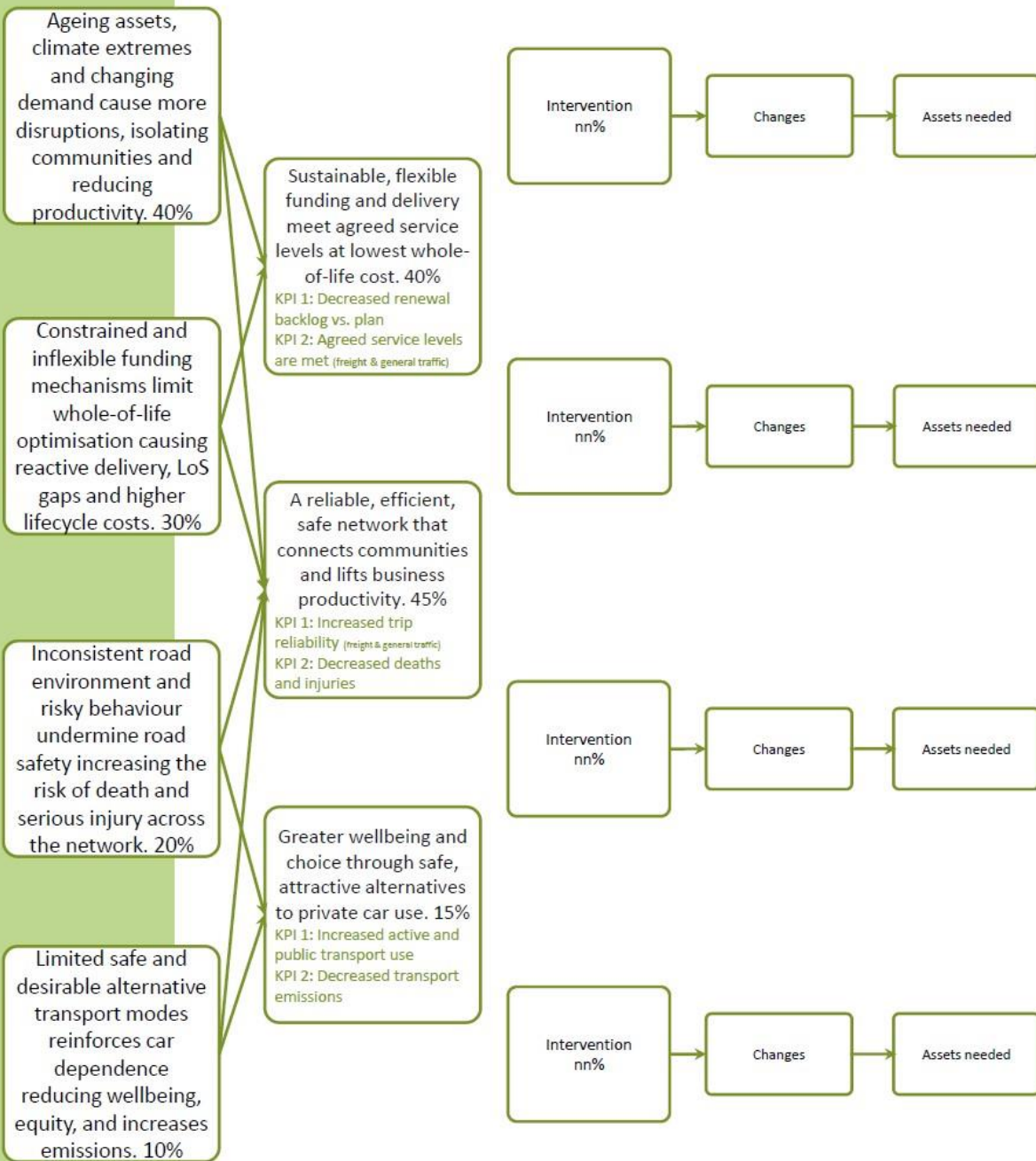
BENEFIT

RESPONSE

SOLUTION

CHANGES

ASSETS



Investor: Dawn Spence, Hastings District Council
Facilitator: Erik Barnes
Accredited Facilitator: Yes

Version no: 0.2
Initial Workshop: 10/10/2025
Last modified by: Erik Barnes 26/09/2025
Template version: 5.0

6.0 Bridge Maintenance/Renewals Update

6.1 Rissington Bridge Rebuild

- Construction commenced in September, and the team have made great progress having completed the temporary diversion and retaining works, ground improvement stone columns, causeway construction and northern end approach. Upcoming works include rip rap scour protection at abutments, piling to commence, and further earthworks at the northern abutment. Construction remains on track for opening in August/September 2026.

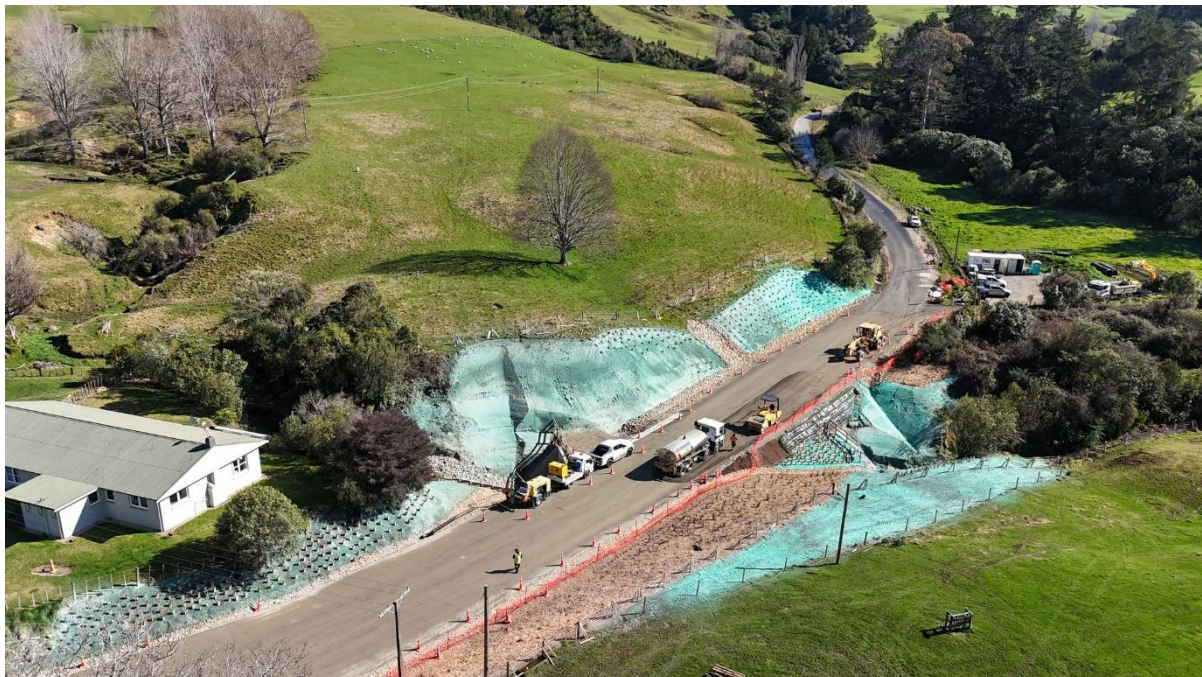


6.2 Dartmoor Bridge Rebuild

- Intention is to direct negotiate this with Fulton Hogan as a separable portion to the Rissington bridge contract as described in the project procurement plan endorsed by council. The FH tender submission for this has been received and officers are working through pricing review at present. Works are intended to start in January 2026 with initial activities comprising site establishment, environmental controls, and causeway construction with a target completion date of September 2026.

6.3 Patoka Culvert

- The project was successfully completed in September and has been broadly celebrated as a success due to upgraded resilience and environmental outcomes.



6.4 Follies

- HDC have entered into an early contractor involvement agreement with Hicks Bros which has been proving beneficial in workshops with the team at WSP. The design phase is progressing well and considering several constructability issues. The timing of this project will be linked to Dartmoor Bridge completion as it requires the full closure of Waihau Rd during construction.

6.5 Aropaoanui Low-Level Bridge Repair

- This project is currently in the market for tender and will close early January. Scope comprises a concrete spillway with sheet pile retention, new piles, new beam, deck replacement, scour protection. Subject to consenting and successful tender award, construction is expected to commence in February.

6.6 Whanawhana Bridge Rebuild

- The design phase is progressing well with the 50% peer review recently completed. The project will go to market early next year as a two span single lane structure and is expected to be completed by mid 2027.

6.7 Moeangiangi Bridge Rebuild

- Detailed design has commenced now project funding has been secured, it is intended to commence construction in Spring 2026.

6.8 Mangatutu Bridge Rebuild

- Detailed design has commenced now project funding has been secured, it is intended to commence construction in Spring 2026.

6.9 McIntyres Low Level

- This project is currently in the market for tender and closes in December – it is being let as a design and build contract due to tight budget constraints whereby HDC are seeking a like for like replacement. The new structure would be built to modern standards which accounts for fish passage and greater scour resilience and is expected to take approximately six months.

6.10 Orlig Bridge Repair

- This project has faced several challenges with additional temporary works due to slope stability, design issues with altered testing requirements due to anchoring. It is finishing strong and will be complete early November



7.0 Ex TC Gabrielle - Contractor Supplier Panel

- 7.1 Due to the volume and scale of recovery work needed, a package approach was taken to tender the recovery work. Four preferred suppliers appointed to the Contractor Suppliers Panel were TW Civil & Infrastructure, Downer Group NZ, Hick Bros Civil Construction Ltd and Tūpore Infrastructure. This was approved by Council on Thursday 27 June 2024.
- 7.2 Works assigned to these contractors includes repairs on bridges, road rehabilitations (aka Area Wide Pavement Treatments) and small to large slip repair works. Sections 8 and 9 of this report provide an update of some of the works delivered through these contracts.

8.0 Ex TC Gabrielle - Bridge Repairs

- 8.1 Package 2.7A:

Package consisted of mostly minor works all of which are complete.

Package	Bridge No.	Bridge Name	Scope of works
2.7A	129	Hartgills	Gravel on bridge deck
2.7A	130	Lopdells	True Left Upstream approach stormwater drainage True left approach culvert reinstatement
2.7A	133	Mimiha No. 1	Remove debris around pier Void fill for crib walls Install bund at true right upstream wingwall to prevent surface water run off Place shotcrete/concrete beneath true right abutment
2.7A	137	Kakaponui	Install MacMat R or similar on true right upstream embankment. Extend rip rap around true right abutment. Install sight rail at true right approach
2.7A	139	Rangiwhakaharoa	Crib wall stabilisation via no fines concrete or similar. Installation of sight rail
2.7A	141	Gorge	Unblock drainage pipes
2.7A	143	Coppermine Culvert	Treat corrosion on steel sheets and apply protective coating
2.7A	150	Rukumoana	Remove rust and reinstate protective coating on guardrails
2.7A	154	Service	Road approaches (chip seal)

8.2 Package 2.7B awarded to Downer

- **Poporangi Bridge** complete by May 2026 - scope comprises rip rap revetments, shotcrete and drainage improvements.
- **Oho Bridge** complete by May 2026 - scope comprises debris clearance, scour protection and stormwater upgrades.
- **Service Bridge 931** complete by May 2026 - scope comprises scour repairs.

8.3 Package 2.7C

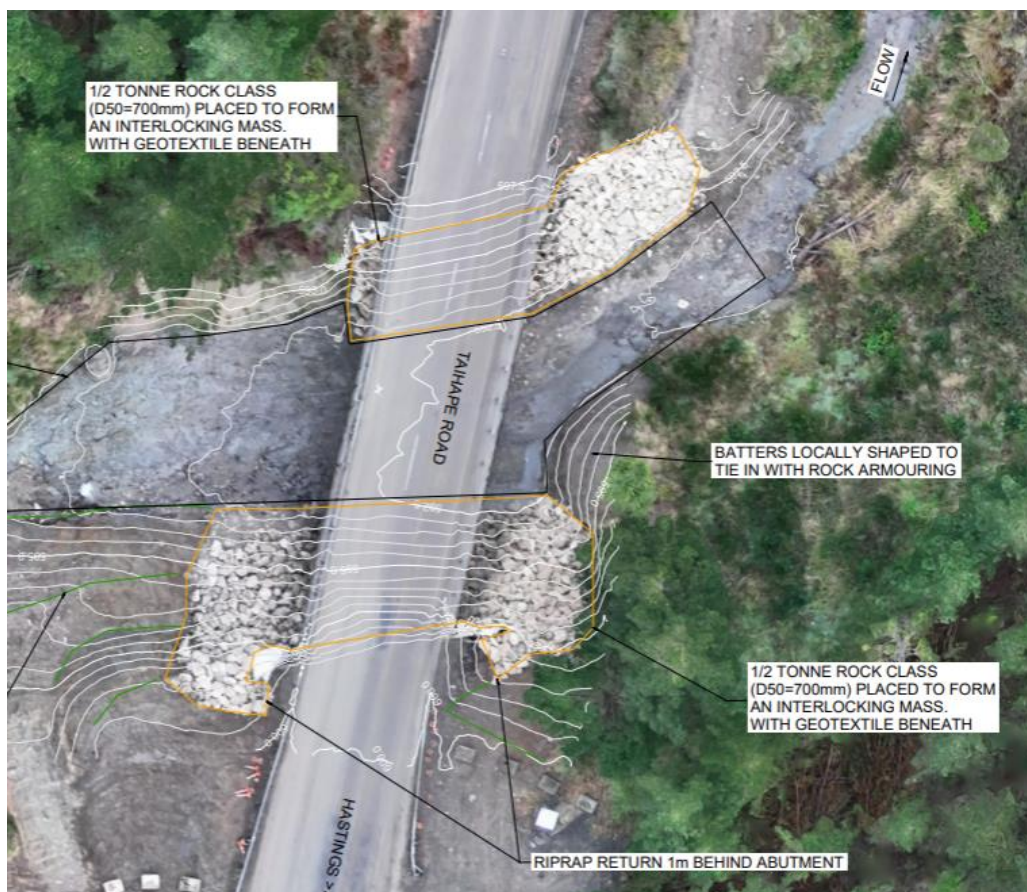
- **Waipatiki Bridge** – This is currently out for tender via the contractors panel and is intended to be complete by May 2026, it comprises abutment underpinning, scour repair and scour protection.

8.4 Package 3.2:

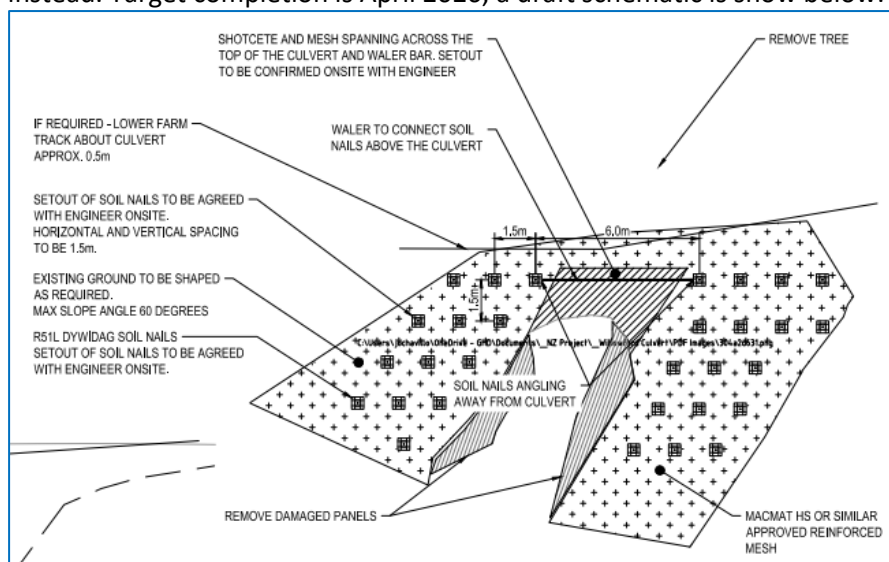
- **Blacks Bridge** – complete; scope comprised face protection matting and anchoring.
- **Kuripapango Bridge** – complete; scope comprised anchoring of headwall, drainage upgrades and channel lining.
- **Pukehaumoamo Bridge** – complete November 2025; scope comprises slope retention and anchoring via sheet pile wall, rip rap scour protection and drainage upgrades.



- **Swamp Cutting Bridge** – complete; scope comprised extensive scour protection works, silt and debris removal.



- **Willowford Culvert** – issues with material supply of like for like product for culvert extension, so project has been on hold for an alternate design; this will comprise removal of the damaged inlet sections and slope retention with soil nails and mesh reinforced matting instead. Target completion is April 2026, a draft schematic is show below:



- **Dampney Culvert** – complete November 2025; scope comprises drainage improvements, cast in-situ inlet and outlet apron upgrades with large wingwalls



8.5 Package 3.3:

- **Averys Bridge** – This site was completed in October and comprised a Magnumstone retaining wall, new drainage, pavement and guardrails:



- **Elliot's Bridge** – This site has faced a number of ecological constraints, so has been expedited into construction under s330 of the RMA as emergency works. Retrospective consent will be worked through with HBRC with the project due for completion March 2026. An alternate design has been progressed as a contractor led initiative comprising modular Eco-Reef blocks which has been proving a good product. It has enabled the work to progress quickly and at a reduced cost to council from the original design of \$412,000.

These blocks are anchored together with galvanised steel rods and then infilled with concrete.



9.0 Ex TC Gabrielle – Slip Repairs

9.1 To date, there have been 172 slip sites identified and funded, with 68 complete and 28 in construction and 76 sites being reviewed for funding. The value of the slip repairs completed so far is \$70M. Slip repairs were prioritised by arterial roads being repaired first, followed now by local roads.

9.2 Waikoau Road slip repairs (Tūtira Ward)

- Construction is underway to repair three slip sites on Waikoau Road in tandem with road realignment construction occurring nearby on Waikoau Road. The realignment was deemed better value for money than repairing the multiple slip repairs on a hairpin corner of Waikoau Road. This work has a value of just over \$4M.



Slip repairs on Waikoau Road underway.

9.3 **Waihau Road slip repairs (Tūtira Ward)**

- Construction is underway on 13 slip sites along Waihau Road. The MSQA for this work is being completed by the HDC Engineering Team to provide value for money. The total value of this work is \$3.8M.

9.4 **All Puketitiri Road slips repairs are now complete**

- Construction is now complete on 14 slip sites on Puketitiri Road.



Before and After of Puketitiri Road RP 32.

9.5 **Dartmoor Road slip site 14.384 now complete**

- The site experienced a 25–35m long under slip in a gully area, caused by culvert overflow and erosion during heavy rainfall. The slip undermined the road shoulder and pavement, reducing the road to a single lane and threatening further collapse. Geotechnical investigations revealed weak fill and weathered sandstone, making the site vulnerable to future failures.
- The repairs included a reinforced earth slope with scour protection, which includes wrap-around geogrid reinforcement, rock armour at the toe, and drainage upgrades. These works aim to restore road stability, improve water flow management, and ensure long-term resilience against erosion and rainfall events.

Before:



After:



9.6 **Dartmoor Road slip site 16.891**

- This slip site experienced a 45m long under slip on the outer lane, caused by blocked culvert overflow and surface erosion within a large catchment gully. The slip reduced the road to a single lane and posed a risk of further collapse during future rain events. Geotechnical investigations revealed variable ground conditions, including weak residual soils and weathered sandstone.
- The repairs included was a reinforced earth slope with geogrid wrap-around facing, combined with a new DN900 culvert system, intake and outlet structures, and rock riprap scour protection. These works aim to restore road stability, improve drainage, and ensure long-term resilience against future erosion and rainfall impacts.

Before:



After:



9.7 Matahorua Road slip repair complete



A large slip on Matahorua Road (north of Tutira) was reinforced to protect the existing road from further erosion.

10.0 Procurement

- 10.1 The rural road maintenance contract expires on 31 June 2026. A report went to Council in May 2025 advising of procurement options, contract models, and major changes that will be included in the rewritten contracts
- 10.2 The contract was due to expire in June 2022 however Tropical Cyclone Gabrielle put a halt to the contract procurement despite it being written and advertised.
- 10.3 The changes to the 2022 written contract are relatively minor in nature, and are primarily due to industry changes, legislative changes, and opportunities for continual improvement which is business as usual for operation contracts.
- 10.4 The rural contract is currently out to tender and closes in early February.

11.0 School Speed Limits

- 11.1 All variable School Speed Limits have now been implemented and are operational for the schools in the rural area.

As per the report on Hastings District School Speed Limits Plan presented to Council on 18 February 2025, Land Transport Rule : Setting of Speed Limits 2024 (the Rule) classes all schools as either Category 1 or Category 2 with the proviso that all schools are Category 1 unless Council designates them as Category 2.

Category 1 schools are more likely to be in areas with:

- existing speed limits of 50 km/h or less

- higher risk to vulnerable road users e.g. more nearby housing so pupils may walk or cycle to school
- other vulnerable road users in the vicinity e.g. pedestrians, cyclists, micro-mobility users

Category 2 schools are more likely to be in rural areas with:

- higher existing speed limits
- comparatively less risk to vulnerable road users e.g. pupils are usually driven or take a bus to school as distance makes active transport modes less practical, and there's off-road parking and/or pick up/drop off spaces
- other mitigating features for higher speed limits e.g. safety infrastructure such as dedicated cycle lanes

11.2 In the report to Council, Council officers identified the specific Category (1 or 2) of each school in the context of the Rule definition such that all schools having a current posted speed limit of 50 km/h would have a 30 km/h school speed limit while those with a posted speed limit of 60 km/h or above would have a school speed limit of 60 km/h or no change where the existing speed limit was already 60 km/h. This was supported in reviewing all reported crashes and issues raised by schools with Council.

11.3 It can be noted that there are a small number of schools in rural areas that have a current speed limit of 50 km/h so that a 30 km/h school speed limit would be appropriate e.g. Puketapu School, Bridge Pa School, and Ōmāhu School. There are also a few schools e.g. Puketapu School and Parkvale School where the school speed zone would extend beyond the extent of the current legal 50 km/h speed limit so the underlying 50 km/h speed limit would be extended accordingly as part of the upcoming speed limits review. With those isolated rural schools being in cul-de-sacs e.g. Te Pohue School and Waimārama School, it would be appropriate that the speed limit on those roads be lowered to a permanent lower speed limit as is the case for Pakowhai School on Chesterhope Road and these will be included in the upcoming speed limits review.

12.0 Speed Limits Review

12.1 Council officers are looking to undertake consultation on a number of speed limits throughout the district. The nature of the proposed speed limit changes is focussed on:

- Extension of urban development areas where the overall road environment will become more residential in nature and to ensure that all new roads within these areas have the same underlying speed limit.
- Inconsistencies where some No Exit roads have a higher posted speed limit than that on the intersecting road
- Inconsistencies where some roads have signed speed limits that do not match the extent of the required speed limit.
- Changes to the extent of some rural speed limits to better accommodate land use activity changes.
- Schools identified in item 11.3 of this report.

12.2 The consultation document for the proposed speed limit changes will be discussed with all elected members early in the new year so that the proposal can be finalised for consultation.

13.0 NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) Update

13.1 Staff from NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) will attend a meeting in early 2026.

14.0 Works Update

- 14.1 **Attachment 1** will provide the Board with a photographic snapshot of activities undertaken between August 2025 and November 2025.

Attachments:

1 	RCB Photos - August - Nov 2025	CG-17-7-00135	Under Separate Cover
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Summary of Considerations - *He Whakarāpopoto Whakaarohanga*

Fit with purpose of Local Government - *E noho hāngai pū ai ki te Rangatōpū-ā-Rohe*

The Council is required to give effect to the purpose of local government as set out in section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. That purpose is to enable democratic local decision-making and action by (and on behalf of) communities, and to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

Link to the Council's Community Outcomes – *Ngā Hononga ki Ngā Putanga ā-Hapori*

This report promotes the performance of regulatory functions for the purpose of providing safe, reliable, and efficient transport networks.

Māori Impact Statement - *Te Tauākī Kaupapa Māori*

No known impacts for tangata whenua over and above the impact on the rural district.

Sustainability - *Te Toitūtanga*

This is a progress report and sustainability issues are not addressed.

Financial considerations - *Ngā Whakaarohanga Ahumoni*

The works identified within this report are within existing budgets.

Significance and Engagement - *Te Hiranga me te Tūhonotanga*

This report has been assessed under the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy as being of minor significance. Individual projects will have been addressed under the significance and engagement policy during the planning and decision-making phase of those projects.

Consultation – internal and/or external - *Whakawhiti Whakaaro-ā-roto / ā-waho*

No consultation is required as part of this report.

Risks

Risk management and mitigation issues have been addressed in project planning and organisational health and safety policies. The major risk noted in this report is the potential for increase in tender costs in the maintenance contract rewrite. There are many ways to manage this risk such as decreased level of service, increased funding (and rate take), loan funding projects and negotiations with successful tenderer.

Rural Community Board – *Te Poari Tuawhenua-ā-Hapori*

The Rural Community Board will have an interest in the operations and transportation activities within the DRA2 rating area.

Monday, 15 December 2025

Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga

Hastings District Council: Hastings District Rural Community Board

Te Rārangi Take

Report to Hastings District Rural Community Board

Nā:
From: John Payne, Regulatory Solutions Manager

Te Take: Report on the Administration of Hastings District Council's Policy
Subject: and Practises in Relation to the Control of Dogs for the year 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

1.0 Purpose and summary - *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga*

- 1.1 This is the report on the 'Administration of Hastings District Council's Policy and Practises in Relation to the Control of Dogs for the year 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025'.
- 1.2 Council is required under section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 (The Act), each financial year to report on the administration of its Dog Control Policy adopted under Section 10 of the Act and its dog control practices.

2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūtohunga*

That the Hastings District Rural Community Board receive the report titled Report on the Administration of Hastings District Council's Policy and Practises in Relation to the Control of Dogs for the year 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025. dated 15 December 2025.

3.0 Background – *Te Horopaki*

- 3.1 Council must, in respect of each financial year, report on the administration of its Dog Control Policy adopted under section 10 of the Act and its dog control practices.
- 3.2 The report must include, information relating to:
 - The number registered dogs.
 - The number of probationary and disqualified owners.

- The number of dogs classified dangerous or menacing and the relevant provision under which the classification was made.
- The number of infringement notices issued.
- The number of dog related complaints received and the nature of those complaints.
- The number of prosecutions taken by Council.

4.0 Discussion – *Te Matapakitanga*

- 4.1 The Chief Executive and Animal Control Services Team focus service delivery within the framework set by Councils Dog Control Policy to achieve the outcomes sought in the Dog Control Policy namely:
- Minimise the potential for danger, distress, and nuisance to the community from dogs,
 - Promoting responsible dog ownership,
 - Promoting effective dog control, particularly in public places where children or families are present,
 - Minimising the risk of intimidation and attacks by dogs,
 - Promoting positive interaction between dog owners and members of the community
 - Providing for the exercise and recreational needs of dogs and their owners.
- 4.2 Dog related complaints have remained static from the previous reporting period.
- 4.3 There were 368 complaints relating to aggression. Although this is up from the previous year 315, the increase is not significant, and other than the incident being prosecuted, many of the complaints were of a minor nature.
- 4.4 All complaints of aggression are prioritised and are thoroughly investigated. Follow up action is taken as appropriate.
- 4.5 Complaint numbers have remained reasonably static however, the total number of dogs and the number of registered dogs has decreased for the second year running. The reduction in dog numbers is considered a result of the effects of Cyclone Gabrielle and the increased cost of living. Other areas around New Zealand have reported similar decreases. The team is focusing on registration compliance with respect to the 2025/2026 registration year.

Attachments:

[1↓](#) 10A Report 2024 2025

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10A Report 2024/2025



**Report on the Administration of
Hastings District Council's
Policy and Practices in Relation to the
Control of Dogs for the year
1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025**

Pursuant to:

(Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996)



1. Background

This policy is made under section 10 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

Council adopted the "Dog Control" Policy 6 August 2009. The policy underwent a review and public consultation in conjunction with the Dog Control Bylaw, August 2016 and again August 2021.

The purpose of the policy is to provide a framework for the care and control of dogs throughout Hastings district with regard to:

- a) *"the need to minimise danger, distress and nuisance to the community generally; and*
- b) *the need to avoid the inherent danger in allowing dogs to have uncontrolled access to public places that are frequented by children, whether the children are accompanied by adults; and*
- c) *the importance of enabling, to the extent that is practicable, the public (including families) to use streets and public amenities without fear of attack or intimidation by dogs; and*
- d) *the exercise and recreational needs of dogs and their owners"*

The anticipated outcomes of the policy are:

- 1. Minimising the potential for danger, distress, and nuisance to the community from dogs.
- 2. Promoting responsible dog ownership.
- 3. Promoting effective dog control, particularly in public places where children or families are present.
- 4. Minimising the risk of intimidation and attacks by dogs.
- 5. Promoting positive interaction between dog owners and members of the community.
- 6. Providing for the exercise and recreational needs of dogs and their owners.

Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 requires territorial authorities to publicly report each financial year on the administration of their dog control policy and practices.

2. Dog Prohibited Areas

Dogs are prohibited from the following public areas:

- a. Hastings District Council Civic Building.
- b. Public libraries.
- c. Swimming pools and paddling pools.
- d. Children's playing areas.
- e. Sports fields. NB: Sports field means – *any part of a public place which is laid or set aside for playing organised games or sports and includes an area used for practising a sport or game but, for the avoidance of doubt, does not include an area beside a sports field used by spectators.*
- f. Rangaiika Beach at Ocean Beach / Cape Kidnappers.

Prohibited areas are established to prevent conflict with other users, or areas with sensitive ecological value. Very few complaints are received regarding non-compliance as most dog owners are responsible people and comply with the requirements.

3 Dog Exercise and Leash Control

There are currently areas where dogs are required to be leashed and areas where they may free run off-leash (under control of the owner).

Council has the philosophy that dogs which have easy access to open spaces and are exercised regularly are less likely to display anti-social behaviour such as aggression and excessive barking. To achieve this, there is a limited number of dog prohibited areas and leash control areas other than areas of high public usage or biodiversity significance.

4 Dog Aggression

A focus is on encouraging dog owners to understand the true nature of dogs, to recognise the potential that all dogs have and to comply with their obligations under the Dog Control legislation, in particular Section 5(f) –

to take all reasonable steps to ensure that the dog does not injure, endanger, intimidate, or otherwise cause distress to any person.

All complaints of aggression reported to Council are given priority and are thoroughly investigated. Action ranges from written warning, infringements, menacing dog classification, dangerous dog classification or prosecution.

5 Dog Control Statistics

Year	Total Dogs	Registered	Impound	Claimed
24/25	13,078	12,590	683	68%
23/24	13,436	12,958	875	70.7%

NB: Impounded does not include dogs relinquished (153)

The decrease in the number of dogs and the reduction in the claim rate is considered a result of Cyclone Gabrielle and the increased cost of living. This has been noticeable across territorial authorities. Of the 488 dogs remaining unregistered 302 infringements were issued.

Complaints	23/24	24/25
Person Attacked	72	81
Person Rushed	125	151
Animal Attacked	118	136
Roaming	1,419	1,341
Barking	511	616
Fouling	14	5
Stock Roaming	146	121
Other	160	135
Total	2,565	2,586

There are interesting dynamics that occur as the complaint types fluctuate, for example when barking dog complaints increase, this can indicate that dogs are being restrained, accordingly roaming dog complaints decrease. However, restrained dogs become more territorial, hence an increase in the number of dog attacks. Another interesting point is that many dog bites go unreported, as most people are bitten by the family dog.

Other complaints are made up of several miscellaneous topics like unleashed dogs in leash control areas, reported unregistered dogs, dangerous dogs, unmuzzled, chickens, roosters, and cats etc.

Owner Classification	23/24	24/25
Probationary owners s21	0	0
Disqualified owners s25	17	11
Menacing s33A 1b(i) – (Behaviour)	18	17
Menacing s33A 1b(ii) – (Breed Characteristics)	0	0
Menacing s33C – (Government listed breeds)	157	162
Dangerous s31 (1)(a) – (Conviction under s57)	0	0
Dangerous s31 (1)(b) – (Sworn evidence)	6	4
Dangerous s31 (1)(c) – (Owner admits in writing)	25	25

	Infringements	Prosecutions
24/25	421	2
23/24	337	2

The two prosecutions involved one dog attacking two people.

Registration categories (total dogs)

Category	23/24	24/25
Urban	7,221	7,057
Rural	6,190	5,996
Other	25	25
Total	13,436	13,078

6 Fees

Dog registration fees are set by Council resolution.

Dog registration fees, fines and impound fees are used to fund dog control.

A reduced dog registration fee is offered to those who register their dogs before 1 August and a reduced fee is offered to those owners on the Selected Owner Scheme.

27% of the dog control activity is funded from the general fund in recognition of the public good benefit.

7 Education

Education is offered to all dog owners by way of one-on-one consultation and a series of educational brochures are available.

Dog bite prevention and responsible dog ownership addresses are undertaken free of charge to any community groups. This training is also offered internally to HDC staff.

A copy of Council's dog control policy is available on our website together with other educational material.

Monday, 15 December 2025

*Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga***Hastings District Council: Hastings District Rural Community Board***Te Rārangi Take*

Report to Hastings District Rural Community Board

Nā:
From: Graham Palmer, Project Manager

Te Take:
Subject: EECA Community Resilience Programme

1.0 Purpose and summary - *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga*

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Rural Community Board of an opportunity provided by the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) as part of their Community Resilience Programme (CRP).

2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūtohunga*

That the Hastings District Rural Community Board receive the report titled EECA Community Resilience Programme dated 15 December 2025.

3.0 Background – *Te Horopaki*

- 3.1 In June this year EECA approached Council with an opportunity to participate as a regional partner in their CRP. The CRP is part of EECA's Community Renewable Energy Fund, aimed at enhancing energy resilience in communities across Aotearoa. The programme supports the installation of solar photovoltaic (PV) and battery systems at designated Community Resilience Sites (CR Sites) to better prepare for severe weather events and emergencies. The CRP provides 80% funding (\$462,000 excluding GST) with the remaining 20% (\$115,500 excluding GST) to be sourced by the community.
- 3.2 An agreement was signed between EECA and Council (as the Regional Partner), enabling Council to coordinate the delivery of the CRP within its rohe.

- 3.3 As a Regional Partner, Council has the opportunity to:
 - 3.3.1 Receive milestone-based funding from EECA to support solar PV and battery installations at CR Sites.
 - 3.3.2 Retain funding for installations at sites it owns and distribute funding to other eligible site owners.
 - 3.3.3 Coordinate and manage the programme regionally, including installer engagement, co-funding arrangements, and reporting.
 - 3.3.4 Support community resilience and climate adaptation through renewable energy infrastructure.

4.0 Co-Funding Opportunities

- 4.1 A private company has made an offer to make up the 20% funding shortfall (in-kind) on any Council owned facilities. This offer is in exchange for allowing a plaque to be displayed on site that acknowledges their contribution. This offer is also expected to be extended to community owned CR Sites as one option for securing their co-funding component. However, individual groups are free to seek different suppliers and co-funding options as they see fit.
- 4.2 It is expected that this work programme will require no direct expenditure on behalf of Council, but system maintenance will be required during its operational life (see 6.4.3).

5.0 Identified CR Sites

- 5.1 A list of twelve eligible sites was provided to a panel made up of representatives from EECA, TPK and CDEM based on their initial selection criteria. The panel then selected seven CR Sites based on a range of factors. These selected CR Sites include:
 - 5.1.1 Kereru Hall
 - 5.1.2 Putorino/Waikare Hall
 - 5.1.3 Flaxmere Community Centre
 - 5.1.4 Moteo Marae
 - 5.1.5 Puketitiri Hall
 - 5.1.6 Te Pohue Hall
 - 5.1.7 Waipatu Marae

6.0 Work Programme Overview

- 6.1 As a Regional Partner, Council's role will include:
- 6.2 Programme Coordination:
 - 6.2.1 Act as EECA's regional delivery partner.
 - 6.2.2 Engage with CR Site owners and facilitate installer quotes.
 - 6.2.3 Ensure co-funding is secured for each site.
- 6.3 Funding Management:
 - 6.3.1 Distribute funding in accordance with EECA-approved milestones.
 - 6.3.2 Enter into sub-agreements with CR Site owners.
 - 6.3.3 Ensure funding is used strictly for eligible costs (e.g. solar panels, batteries, installation, inspections).
- 6.4 Project Delivery:

- 6.4.1 Oversee installations to ensure completion by 14 December 2026 (or later if agreed).
- 6.4.2 Provide guidance for community site owners to ensure CR Site systems are maintained and insured for their working life.
- 6.4.3 Establish schedules to ensure Council owned CR Site systems have sufficient budget allowance for maintenance and insurance for their expected lifetime.
- 6.5 Reporting and Assurance:
 - 6.5.1 Submit monthly progress reports and site completion reports.
 - 6.5.2 Maintain records and support audits as required by EECA.

Attachments:

There are no attachments for this report.