

ATTACHMENTS

Turangi/Tongariro Community Board Meeting

14 November 2017

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**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TURANGI/TONGARIRO COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE SENIOR CITIZENS HALL, (TE KAPUA PARK), TOWN CENTRE, TURANGI
ON TUESDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2017 AT 1.00PM**

PRESENT: Mr Andy Hema (in the Chair), Cr Tangonui Kingi, Mrs Karen Donlon, Miss Sharlyn Holt, Mr Te Takinga New

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr John Williamson, Group Manager: Business & Technology, Democracy & Community Engagement Manager, Strategic Development Manager, District Parks Operations Manager, Strategic Relationships Advisor, Communications Advisor, Democratic Services Support Officer

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: Steph Rangi – Taupō Times
19 members of the public

The Chair welcomed everyone and Mr New opened the meeting with a karakia.

Notes:

- (i) *Apologies were also noted from His Worship, Mayor D Trewavas and the Chief Executive and the following funding applicants: Age Concern Taupō, Turangi Bluelight Ventures, Tuwharetoa Health Charitable Trust and Youthtown.*
- (iii) *The meeting adjourned for a short break at 2.34pm following funding allocation deliberations and resumed at 2.45pm.*

1 APOLOGIES

TT201710/14 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi
Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That apologies from Mr Wally van der Aa be received and accepted.

CARRIED

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following conflicts were noted during funding allocation deliberations:

Cr Kingi – Safe Turangi, Tongariro School Services Academy, Turangi Volunteer Fire Brigade
Mr New – Tongariro Sports Club, Tuwharetoa Health Charitable Trust

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 TURANGI/TONGARIRO COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING - 12 SEPTEMBER 2017

In relation to resolution TT201709/13, Mr Hema advised that he did not attend the Te Maruata hui in Porirua, Wellington, which was incorrectly recorded in the minutes as being held on 25 September 2017 instead of 22 September 2017.

TT201710/15 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi
Seconded: Mrs Karen Donlon

That the minutes of the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board meeting held on Tuesday 12 September 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

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4 REPORTS

4.1 PRESENTATION: VENUE TO RE-ESTABLISH THE TURANGI TOY LIBRARY

Turangi Toy Library representatives Piata Winitana-Murray and Grace Eastwood distributed a handout to members (A2067292) in support of their request for assistance from Council and the Community board to find a suitable venue for the Turangi Toy Library. They addressed the Board and made the following points:

- The incentive to re-establish the toy library came from parent enquiries and the lack of services available for under 5 year olds.
- There was a toy library in Taupō however, this was not a suitable option for the majority of Turangi based people due to financial and physical constraints, e.g lack of vehicle, travel costs, and toys were quite expensive to hire.
- Very passionate about the service which would be an asset to the community; provide toys for children; and bring parents together. It would be run by volunteers, with parents receiving a reduced subsidy in return for a few voluntary hours to help issue toys. Opening hours would be approximately two hours, twice a week.
- Would be grateful to have the previous toy library space attached to the Turangi Public Library.

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Group Manager: Business & Technology undertook to oversee the preparation of a formal licence to occupy the former (toy library) space.

TT201710/16 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi

Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the information and representatives from the Turangi Toy Library be thanked for their presentation.

CARRIED

4.2 COMMUNITY GRANTS 2017/18

The following applicants spoke to their respective funding applications:

23 Turangi Toy Library: Piata Winitana-Murray & Grace Eastwood

- Requested funds to purchase more expensive / larger item toys and a laptop.
- To date had received many toy donations and also raised \$1,000.
- Future plans included another fundraiser in December 2017 and a toy drive.

In answer to questions, the presenters advised that:

- Prioritised order for items requested was (1) purchase of toys (2) laptop (3) software.
- Future funding applications would be submitted to KCE's Heartland Community Fund and the Grassroots Trust. Toy Library Federation NZ gave an annual grant of \$1k with the next payments being in 2018.
- The service would proceed whether they received full or partial funding as the group were very committed and determined to establish a toy library. Full funding however would provide a good platform to start from, enable the purchase of more expensive toys, and demonstrate to other funders that they had community support.

3 Life Education Trust: Robyn King, Regional Manager for Central Plateau Area

- Requested funds to cover teachers salary. The programme would be delivered to approximately 500 children over a three week period, focus on mental and emotional health and well-being of children, and help schools build resilience.

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In answer to a question, Ms King advised that Life Education Trust were constantly submitting funding applications to other funders. The majority of the Trust's funding came from the South Waikato area. As the programme would benefit this area they felt it was appropriate to apply to this community grants fund.

4 Motuoapa Fishing & Boating Club: Roger Coles, Club President

- Significant population growth and changes in the demographic make-up of the community – including an increase in retirees and young families – had brought with it a demand for a community meeting place.
- Requested funds to build an additional separate room with small kitchen, disabled access ramp, etc, at the end of the club premises for community groups to use.
- The club would provide 50% of project costs and sought funds for material costs only.
- The club had an established responsible partner relationship with Council; their application met the LTP and grants criteria.
- They were aware that funds requested were significant in terms of the total available grant funds however, provision of a community meeting space (by them) was viewed as favourable for Council as it would remove future pressure and eventual costs on the Council for a community hall.

In answer to questions, Mr Coles advised that:

- The planned addition would be suitable for smaller groups and would be made available for use by Eastern Bay groups and the wider community.
- The MFBC had a relationship with the Motuoapa Ratepayers Association who currently used the Club for their meetings. Some club members were also members of the ratepayers association.

6 Nancy Milligan

- Requested grant to cover training costs to become a La Leche leader and provide breast feeding support in the community.
- Taumarunui and Taupō had leaders however none were available 24/7 in Turangi.
- She would work closely with other local health providers.
- Breast feeding was extremely important for the first 1000 days.

In answer to member questions, Ms Milligan advised that:

- She had not applied for funds elsewhere and planned to do some fundraisers over summer.
- She had established a relationship with the Awhi House lactation consultant.
- Midwife services ceased after the six week newborn check at which point she would then take over.
- She would still undertake training if partially funded as very passionate about supporting mothers in the community.

7 Neighbourhood Support - Kathy Smallman, Coordinator & Edie Wilton, Chair

In answer to a member question, Ms Smallman advised that the police provided support where able eg use of printer however due to the confidential nature of police information, the group were required to have their own separate computer.

A member of the Safe Turangi committee advised that they had a high specification lap top surplus to requirements that they would be happy to gift to them.

8 Omori/Kuratau Charitable Trust - Peter Brown, Chair & Tony Haddock, Trustee

- The hall was built by the community in 2008. Prior to building the hall, then TTCB chair Don Ormsby gave a verbal undertaking of \$10k grants funding towards costs - which the Trust never claimed. With that in mind, they now requested a contribution towards costs to improve audibility within the hall to enable people to hear, especially their more elderly patrons.
- Many people had expressed gratitude to the Trust for providing a community hall. Equally, others had decided to no longer attend functions held at the hall due to the acoustics as it was pointless when they could not hear what speakers were saying.
- Maximum hall capacity was 150 people.

In answer to member questions, Mr Brown advised that any contribution would be hugely appreciated. The

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tentative date for installation of the sound panels was mid November.

9 Omori Kuratau Pest Management Group - Russell Shaw

Note: Had brought along a DOC200 trap and demonstrated how to use it, what baits to use, etc.

- Since starting in 2011, the group had successfully trapped a wide array of predators including thousands of rats, stoats and wild cats resulting in renewed bird life species in the area, especially quail, kereru and tui.
- Very rarely caught possums now which was another good success indicator.
- There were eight trapping groups surrounding the western lake shores.
- Cats that had been alone for more than 10 days were classed as feral. There was an obvious increase in wild cats trapped following holiday periods which suggested that cats were brought into the area with holidaymakers. Since January 2017 96 cats has been caught in traps.
- Requested grant for consumables and six live capture traps for cats.
- Their current bank balance as at 6 October 2017 was circa \$2,700 although \$2,300 was already tagged for other purposes.
- Had purchased 35 (DOC200) traps which where made available for visitors to use whilst in the area. Full training in the use of the traps was also provided.

In answer to member questions, Mr Shaw advised that:

- Local high school students were welcome to come along and be part of the trapping programme including learning how to use, service and maintain the traps.
- A member would also look into students constructing the trap boxes.
- Mr Shaw would be happy to mentor other like-minded community groups.

10 Omori/Kuratau Ratepayers Association - Mike Bowie, Chair

- The Omori/Kuratau Reserve and playground was a land-based focal point for all community outdoor activities, sports, picnics etc.
- In their application, had written that the number of people that would benefit from the approval of their grant was 1k however, in retrospect that was too conservative and more realistically 10k would be a more appropriate figure.
- The playground was a wonderful, well constructed facility that was enjoyed by kids of all ages.
- A shade sail was requested for health and safety reasons, especially to protect users from the harmful effects of the sun. There were surrounding trees that provided some shade however any other protection sat with the individual.
- Read aloud information on the dangers of sun exposure in the early years of life, including melanoma.

In answer to a member question, Mr Bowie advised that the significant discrepancy between the two quotes provided was that one was from an actual site visit and the other was provided by phone (without viewing the playground).

11 Predator Free Motuoapa - Noel Thomas

- Predator Free was a recently established group. Other trapping groups operating in the Omori/Kuratau and Lake Rotopounamu areas had made vast improvements with bird life resurgence in those respective areas and he had the same aspirations for the Motuoapa area.
- If successful with obtaining a grant, requested that funds be paid into Project Tongariro's account who would manage the funds on their behalf.

In answer to member questions, Mr Thomas advised that:

- Funds requested were twice the amount sought by the Omori/Kuratau Pest Mangement Group because they were a newly established group which had to start from scratch, albeit ten traps which were currently placed on private properties.
- Very open to having students onboard to trap or help build boxes. Prisoners had built some boxes however those were from 3ply wood and were inferior to the DOC200 traps used by the Omori/Kuratau group.
- Predator Free had a strong relationship with Project Tongariro who were also a great source of

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knowledge and expertise.

12 Project Tongariro – Shirley Potter

- Fully supported the application from Predator Free Motuoapa.
- Proceeds from 2016/17 grant were used to install a new trap line. Great results including Robins and Tom Tits observed in the area.
- A private individual had been building traps and donating to them which was most appreciated.
- Very passionate about weed species in the area. To date had worked with three groups of army cadets to help with weed control and trap lines at Rotopounamu – would like to continue this work.
- Engaging with Te Kura o Hirangi about undertaking restoration work on Hirangi stream.
- Majority of Project Tongariro's work was done on public DOC land however, more than happy to assist people with compatible work on their land.
- Also undertook planting work. Planting scheduled at Rongomai Marae on the upcoming weekend of 14 October 2017.

In answer to member questions, Ms Potter advised that they had recently planted 1400 plants with another 1400 planned for Rongomai Marae on the weekend. Project Tongariro owned its own tools therefore only required assistance with labour. All gels and poisons were stored in a DOC owned facility.

15 Tongariro Sports Club – Antoinette Kereopa & Te Takinga New

- The Club had been around for many years. Currently there was the main club committee, a social club, and rugby teams in the under 6 to under 13 year old and senior mens grades, and a newly formed womens side.
- The club provided a safe, happy and healthy environment for all involved.
- There was minimal financial impact on families as the majority of costs were covered by the club from fundraising proceeds.
- The newly formed womens side provided a great opportunity for local ladies to play rugby at a senior level and be good role models for their children, many of whom also played for the club.
- The Round the Lake race was a major fundraiser undertaken annually. Other fundraisers included regular haangi, catering at the TTSF awards, and an upcoming barbeque on 28 October.
- The club supported other local sporting codes by providing use of their club for hosting home games and social events. They also gave financial support where able eg. donated money to the Tuwharetoa Jujitsu for their nationals tournament, sponsored a school rugby team's travel to Taupō.
- Were requesting funds to put a new roof over the kitchen and dining area of the club and to purchase new flags and pads.
- Ms Kereopa was passionate about supporting local kids to engage in sports and was currently completing a level 5 sports, recreation and community development qualification.

In answer to member questions, Ms Kereopa advised that:

- The club was responsible for the maintenance of the club.
- It was preferred that the rugby club premises remained independent of any other potential premises established for the purpose of a local sports hub as the seniors required it for after match hosting. Taking the after function to the local pub would not be suitable for many as the bar prices were too expensive.
- They had not yet applied for any funds from Youth Town.

17 Turangi Tongariro Ratepayers Association – Sandra Greenslade, President

In answer to member questions, Mrs Greenslade advised that:

- Committee meetings were held at her private residence and public meetings were held at the Senior Citizens Hall, which incurred Council hall hire charges.
- Christina McIntyre would develop their website although she was not expected to be available until December 2017. The purpose of the website was for wider dissemination to the public.
- Currently had an email contact list of approximately 120 people and 88 following their Facebook page.

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18 Turangi Angels Netball – Cristina Duff, Coach

- Wanted to put the focus back onto the kids as opposed to the building upgrades therefore were planning to take 20 children to a nine day international netball festival on the Gold Coast, Australia.
- Children would be able to participate in the a training camp with the Queensland Firebirds.
- The netball festival would start the day after the 2018 Commonwealth Games ended so children would get to experience that as well.
- The club were committed to doing fundraising, especially to support those parents who had more than one child in the club (some had up to 3 children).
- The experiences gained on the trip would help build positive community roles models and potential future leaders.

22 Turangi-Tongariro Sports Foundation (TTSF) – Lesley Hardisty,
Distributed a handout to members (A2067293)

- Advised that Mr New had been appointed by the local schools as their representative on TTSF.
- Established in 1996, funds were requested to support operational costs.
- Some accomplishments noted included the installation of the basketball court on Te Kapua Park; supported resurgence of junior rugby; exercise classes for the elderly.
- Planned an upcoming Christmas/New Year holiday programme.
- Maintained relationships with other local sporting groups. Assisted and collaborated on initiatives where required.

TT201710/17 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Andy Hema

Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board approves/declines the following grant applications for the 2017/18 financial year:

1. \$480.00 * to Age Concern Taupō for transport of Turangi seniors on a trip
2. \$4,600.00 to Korohe Marae for a movie night at the marae
3. \$2,000.00* to Life Education for health programmes in Turangi
4. \$9,200.00 to Motuoapa Fishing and Boating Club for costs to get plans drawn up to upgrade the annex to the main hall
5. \$NIL to Motuoapa Residents and Ratepayers Group for a community event
6. \$NIL to Nancy Milligan for La Leche training
7. \$366.00 to Turangi Neighbourhood Support to purchase a laptop
8. \$6,043.00* to Omori Kuratau Charitable Trust to purchase panels for the Omori community hall to absorb sound
9. \$2,036.00 to Omori Kuratau Pest Management Group to purchase lures, baits and pastes for predator control
10. \$NIL to Omori Kuratau Ratepayers Association to purchase a shade sail for playground
11. \$1,821.00 to Predator Free Motuoapa to purchase traps and pallets
12. \$1,821.00* to Project Tongariro to purchase materials and supplies
13. \$12,000.00 to Safe Turangi for Christmas in the Park costs
14. \$1,000.00* to Tongariro National Trout Centre to purchase bins for Para Kore – Zero Waste
15. \$4,451.00 to Tongariro Sports Club for roof cladding, field flags and post pads
16. \$5,000.00* to Tongariro School Services Academy for costs associated with Tongariro

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School confidence course

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| 17. | \$650.00 | to Turangi-Tongariro Residents and Ratepayers Association for hall hire, advertising and website development |
| 18. | \$2,000.00 | to Turangi Angels Netball for costs associated with attending the international netball festival |
| 19. | \$2,855.00 | to Turangi Blue Light Ventures for a locals fun day |
| 20. | \$5,000.00 | to Turangi Pighunting Competition for associated costs |
| 21. | \$NIL | to Turangi Pony Club towards costs for temporary clubrooms and ablutions |
| 22. | \$15,000.00 | to Turangi Tongariro Sports Foundation to support daily operational costs |
| 23. | \$2,000.00 | to Turangi Toy Library to purchase toys |
| 24. | \$NIL | to Turangi Volunteer Fire Brigade for annual operational and running costs for support vehicles |
| 25. | \$2,000.00 | to Turangi/Southern Lake Probus Club to purchase seating |
| 26. | \$4,500.00* | to Tuwharetoa Health Charitable Trust for a discretionary fund |
| 27. | \$8,695.65* | to Youthtown to provide activities for Turangi youth |

CARRIEDNotes: *denotes GST registered organisation

The following comments would be advised to applicants:

5 - Motuoapa Residents & Ratepayers Group: Event would be included as part of the 'Our Neighbourhood' event series.

6 - Nancy Milligan: Declined as funds requested were for personal development / training costs.

7 - Turangi Neighbourhood Support: Donation of a laptop from Safe Turangi.

10 - Omori/Kuratau Ratepayers Association: Referred to apply for Long-Term Plan funds for playground shade sail.

15 - Tongariro Sports Club: Partial funds granted. Declined roof installation portion as building not owned by club.

17 - Turangi-Tongariro Residents & Ratepayers Association: Partial funds granted. Declined website development portion.

21 - Turangi Pony Club: Declined due to lack of security with month by month lease arrangement.

23 - Turangi Toy Library: Partial funds granted for purchase of toys only.

24 - Turangi Volunteer Fire Brigade: Did not meet eligibility criteria.

26 - Tuwharetoa Health Charitable Trust: Partial funds granted for purchase of mould kits only, i.e. draft stoppers, door/window seals

4.3 ACTION POINTS

The District Parks Operations Manager advised that the arborist had almost completed data the trees workshop which should be completed by the end of the week. The information would be passed on to the infrastructure team who would then complete their analyses.

TT201710/18 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mrs Karen Donlon

Seconded: Mr Te Takinga New

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the action points update.

CARRIED

4.4 UPDATE ON THE REPRESENTATION REVIEW

A briefing paper on the Representation Review had been previously circulated by email. The Democracy & Community Engagement Manager summarised the actions taken to date including the options available for consideration. Council had until 31 October to consider Maori representation arrangements in time for the Review end date of 23 November 2017.

TT201710/19 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tangonui Kingi
Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the update on the Representation Review.

CARRIED

4.5 TURANGI OPERATIONS REPORT - JULY/AUGUST 2017

The District Parks Operations Manager went through his report, highlighting that illegal dumping of carcasses around the Tokaanu wetlands and whiteware items in reserves continued to be a problem. He would work alongside the communications team to inform the public about responsible disposal of goods, especially whiteware items which were free to dump at the transfer station.

TT201710/20 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Te Takinga New
Seconded: Miss Sharlyn Holt

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the Turangi Operations Report for August/September 2017.

CARRIED

4.6 MEMBERS' REPORTS AND COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATES

The following verbal reports were provided:

- Key members of the Waitangi Tuwharetoa ki Pukawa Festival organising team would attend the New Zealand Events 2017 awards being held in Auckland on 12 October 2017 as the event was a finalist in the Best Community Event category.
- All were welcome to attend the Hirangi Marae centenary celebrations being held over Labour weekend.

TT201710/21 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Te Takinga New
Seconded: Mrs Karen Donlon

That the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board receives the members' reports and community plan updates.

CARRIED

5 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

The Meeting closed with a karakia by Cr Kingi at 4.26pm.

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The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board Meeting held on 14 November 2017.

CHAIRPERSON

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DECLARATION BY MEMBER

I, **MARGARET (MAGGIE) ELLEN STEWART**, declare that I will faithfully and impartially, and according to the best of my skill and judgment, execute and perform, in the best interests of the Turangi/Tongariro community, the powers, authorities and duties vested in, or imposed upon me as a member of the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board by virtue of the Local Government Act 2002, the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, or any other Act. Those duties include the requirements under clauses 15(4) and 16 of the 7th Schedule to the Local Government Act 2002 to comply with the Taupō District Council Code of Conduct and the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board Standing Orders.

DATED at Turangi this 14th day of November 2017.

Margaret (Maggie) Ellen Stewart
Member

SIGNED in the presence of:

Gareth Green
Chief Executive Officer

DECLARATION BY MEMBER

I, **PAULINE DEBBIE JENKINS-LYONS**, declare that I will faithfully and impartially, and according to the best of my skill and judgment, execute and perform, in the best interests of the Turangi/Tongariro community, the powers, authorities and duties vested in, or imposed upon me as a member of the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board by virtue of the Local Government Act 2002, the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, or any other Act. Those duties include the requirements under clauses 15(4) and 16 of the 7th Schedule to the Local Government Act 2002 to comply with the Taupō District Council Code of Conduct and the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board Standing Orders.

DATED at Turangi this 14th day of November 2017.

Pauline Debbie Jenkins-Lyons
Member

SIGNED in the presence of:

Gareth Green
Chief Executive Officer

Turangi Tongariro Community Board Action Sheet - A1902773

Item No.	Meeting Date	Subject	Task	Outcome
7	12/07/2016	Turangi Operations Report	The District Parks Operations Manager noted that a 'Turangi trees' workshop would be held with the next elected Board.	Workshop planned for early 2018.
4.2	8/08/2017	Action Points	Officers were to coordinate the Board's LTP submission and present final draft for approval once completed.	The GM Business & Technology advised that officers were working on the draft submission.
4.3	11/07/2017	Representation Review	Hold a workshop to discuss(s19) Representation Review	October TTCB agenda item.
4.1	10/10/2017	Presentation: Venue to reestablish the Turangi Toy Library	At the conclusion of the presentation, the Group Manager Business & Technology undertook to oversee the preparation of a formal licence to occupy the former (toy library) space.	The Solicitor-Property preparing Licence to Occupy.

Service Requests Received – October 2017

	Oct 2017
Animal Management & Compliance	36
Building Control	10
District Litter/Refuse	7
Network Operations - Storm water	0
Network Operations - Water	3
Network Operations - Wastewater	0
District Parks Operations	24
Health & Liquor Licencing	3
Regulatory After Hours	10
Transportation	19
Resource Consents	22
Facilities Management	12
Pools	0
Property/GIS	0
Customer Services	8
Debtors	1
Development Engineering	1
Turangi Service Centre	3
Total	159

Turangi Parks Operations Update

- Mowing and weed eating reserves.
- Maintaining gardens in Pihanga Road and Motuoapa Village.
- Removing graffiti and illegal dumping has still been an issue around town.
- Staff met with the DIA Harbourmaster at Motuoapa Marina to arrange the servicing of the new toilets and bins at the Marina. Council will be servicing the new facility under a similar arrangement to the Tokaanu Marina and Taupō Boat Harbour.
- The team have been spraying the willow regrowth at the Tokaanu Stream. They will continue to do this over summer to prepare the site for revegetation planting next autumn. The willows were removed in partnership with the Regional Council to improve the streams dynamics.
- The Whiowhio revegetation planting has been released and sprayed with Plantskid, rabbit deterrent. The plantings are now becoming more established with a reduction in browsing from rabbits.
- The Sportsfields team have been mowing the Turangitukua fields for touch and masters rugby. They are currently working on a renovation plan for the fields.

Turangi Library

	Oct 2017	Oct 2016
Total Issues	2,034	2,133
In-House use	17	21
New Members	18	20
Internet Users	960	793
Wi-Fi Sessions	1,422	1,420
Wi-Fi Unique Devices	696	779

Turangi Library Update

- The front doors of the library were vandalised. The youth responsible has been identified and relocated out of town. However it does highlight the concern staff have around safety and what appears to be an escalation of incidents in the town.
- Successful school holiday programme, including a visit to the Police Station which was very popular with the children.
- Tiny Toes the weekly children's programme for under 5's is going from strength to strength under the very able tutelage of Rikki Collier.

- Staff have been busy preparing for the Summer Reading Programme. This year's theme is 'Wild about Reading'.
- Students from Tongariro Area School visited the library.

Turtle Pools Attendance

Patronage:	Oct 2017	Oct 2016
Adults	657	532
Seniors	202	120
Students	160	80
Children	1137	751
Under 5's	177	113
Schools / Groups	40	224
Aquatic classes	187	207
Swim Well	425	234
Water Safety Seals		
Aquatic Programmes		
Swim School	29	73
Cadets / Training		
Turangi Swim Club	245	199
Total Pools	3259	2533

Turtle Pools Update – October 2017

- We have had a really steady month at the pools. School holidays were busy, with a lot of out of town families making the most of this complex. Swimwell is booked right through until the end of the school term.
- Tongariro School year 5 and 6 complete their swimming programmes. Te Kura o Hirangi are currently doing theirs followed by Tongariro School juniors.
- Patronage is up from last year which is fantastic. We have received a lot of out of town school bookings, which is the usual case for this time of year. The schools that have come through have been so well behaved and a pleasure to have here.
- Bookings for parties in the complex has increased, as more parents choose this facility as it is an all-weather venue.
- Staff feedback from the holidays was that our Under 8 policy for pool supervision was difficult to administer. Although they tried their best to educate parents about actively supervising their child/ren, this did not occur as parents continued to be on cell phones, seated some distance from their child and/or chatting to friends and therefore oblivious to what their child was doing. Additionally, some kids are being sent to the pools with no food or drink and although they are over 8 years old, staff also found this troubling.