

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE TŪRANGI TONGARIRO COMMUNITY GRANT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
HELD AT THE TE MATAAPUNA, TŪRANGITUKUA PARK, HIRANGI ROAD, TŪRANGI  
ON WEDNESDAY, 23 APRIL 2025 AT 9.30AM**

**PRESENT:** Mr Te Takinga New (in the Chair), Cr Sandra Greenslade, Mayor David Trewavas

**IN ATTENDANCE:** General Manager People and Community Partnerships (H Tattle), Senior Funding and Partnerships Advisor (B Forlong), Senior Community Development Manager (G Smith), Southern Lake Taupō Engagement Partner (M Isherwood), Funding and Partnerships Advisor (E Godwin), Iwi and Co-Governance Advisor (A Kereopa), Senior Committee Advisor (K Watts)

**MEDIA AND PUBLIC:** 11 members of the public

Chair Mr Te Takinga opened with a mihi and acknowledged those that had passed away, including Pope Francis.

**1 KARAKIA**

All present at the meeting recited the Taupō District Council opening karakia and Chair Te Takinga New provided the translation in English.

**2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES**

**TTCG202504/01 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor David Trewavas

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That the apologies received from Mr Christian Asher, and Cr Karam Fletcher be accepted.

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TTCG202504/01 above.*

**3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Cr Sandra Greenslade declared the following interests and abstained from voting on resolutions distributing funding to these organisations:

- Secretary of Southern Lakes Probus Club
- Committee member of the Tokaanu Tūrangi RSA
- Member of SeniorNet Tūrangi Inc

**4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**4.1 TŪRANGI TONGARIRO COMMUNITY GRANT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE MEETING - 18 OCTOBER 2023**

**TTCG202504/02 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor David Trewavas

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That the minutes of the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting held on Wednesday 18 October 2023 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TTCG202504/02 above.*

## 5 NGĀ RIPOATA | REPORTS

### 5.1 APRIL 2025 - TŪRANGI AND TONGARIRO COMMUNITY FUND DISTRIBUTION

The Funding and Partnerships Advisor explained that applications were usually only accepted via the online system. The paper application had been emailed to Council the day before applications closed. Officers emailed the applicant to request that they submit the application online but it did not come through. Committee members were asked to confirm if the application from the Tūrangi Aeroclub would be accepted.

#### **TTCG202504/03 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Sandra Greenslade

Seconded: Mayor David Trewavas

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee accepts the Tūrangi Aeroclub paper application to be considered in this funding round. **CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TTCG202504/03 above.*

The Funding and Partnerships Advisor introduced herself and thanked those that had attended and also submitted applications.

She explained the purpose of the fund in the Tūrangi Tongariro ward as per the report and reiterated that applications should support the community projects for the area. She reminded members that the Application and Assessment Summary attached to the agenda provided scores showing how applications had aligned with the Community Funding Eligibility and Assessment Framework.

She clarified that two Tūrangi Tongariro based organisations had received multi year funding through Council's Accelerator Fund of \$20k per organisation being Safe Tūrangi and the Tūrangi Rangatahi Hub.

For this funding round, a maximum of \$5k could be allocated per application, and 33 applications had been received.

An induction workshop had taken place on 19 February for committee members to learn about the Community Funding Eligibility and Assessment Framework.

She advised that another funding round would occur around June/July 2025 for \$25k total because there would be two funding rounds for the financial year 2025/26.

The following applicants were present and provided additional information:

#### **#30 Tūrangi Aero Club – Mr Mike Fransham**

Mr Fransham introduced himself and explained that many members of the community recognised the airfield as an integral part of the community. He clarified that the funding requested was for mowing and operational costs to maintain the community asset.

#### **#23 Tūrangi Tongariro Sports Foundation Inc – Ms Lesley Hardisty**

Ms Hardisty explained that the foundation was involved in all of the sports clubs in the area and held 2 main events being the children's triathlon and the annual sports awards. The application was to increase storage for the various sports teams' equipment.

#### **#22 Southern Lakes Probus Club – Mr Morrin Hardy**

Mr Hardy explained that there had been a decrease in the number of people able to attend organised functions due to added cost burdens. Funding would be used for a garden trip to Taumarunui and possibly also for a cinema outing to Rotorua.

#### **#27 The Society for Animal Care Tūrangi, Incorporated – Mrs Christine Dally**

Mrs Dally explained that funding was required for operational costs and that while support was given from Taupō District Council for registering dogs, no funding was received. The facility was required in Tūrangi but did not have a large enough volunteer base to hold dogs onsite.

#### **#8 Tūrangi Mountain Region Trust – Mr Steve Hollis and Mr Hira Haenga**

Mr Haenga explained that the volunteer group had been helping with mowing lawns since 2017. He advised

that pride was important so usually they waited to be approached by people, or for a referral from a friend or family member. The 19 workers were rostered fortnightly but also responded to calls when available.

### **#10 Omori Kuratau Charitable Trust – Ms Raewyn Beattie**

Ms Beattie explained that the community hall was 19 years old so funding would be used to change to LED lighting and reduce costs in the long-term. She confirmed that she had approached the Lines Company but did not receive support from them.

### **#3 Tūrangi Community Events (Rotary Club of Tūrangi) – Ms Dorene Mills**

Ms Mills explained that there was storage available but with limited access. The team wanted to add more items each year as they facilitated more events.

### **#17 Oranga Kawakawa – Ms Maataparekaru Mellon**

Ms Mellon explained that her project was to train more students and bring them into marae clinics around Tūrangi and in the community doing mirimiri (healing massage) and rongoā (traditional Māori healing). The funding applied for would be used for uniforms and storage.

### **#26 Tūrangi Social Connection – Mr Graeme Lauder**

Mr Lauder confirmed that around 32 people used the service and that they received support from Tūwharetoa Health.

Members deliberated and decided on funding for applicants as follows:

	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Purpose of request</b>	<b>Deliberation</b>
1	Central Plateau REAP Charitable Trust	To support with the lease costs for the Baden Powell Hall to deliver services in Tūrangi.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
2	Tūrangi Land Search and Rescue Incorporated	To support the search and rescue team dog.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
3	Tūrangi Community Events (Rotary Club of Tūrangi)	To purchase shipping containers for storage and event supplies.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
4	Hato Hone St John	To teach school leavers first aid training.	Members declined this application and requested that officers put Hato Hone in touch with the Iwi and Co-Governance team regarding the Mayor's Taskforce for Jobs initiative.
5	Tokaanu Tūrangi RSA	To purchase chairs and kitchen equipment for the club	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
6	Lake Taupō Hospice	To support costs for room hire for our Tūrangi based bereavement services monthly group sessions.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
7	Tūrangi Tokaanu Sports and Cultural Club (AKA Tūrangi Dambusters Junior Rugby League)	To support operational costs for Tūrangi Tokaanu Sports and Cultural Club.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
8	Tūrangi Mountain Region Trust	To support costs for a lawn mowing service by purchasing lawnmowers and line trimmers.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
9	Safe Tūrangi	To support costs for building and installing a Community Notice Board.	Members declined this application because Safe Tūrangi had received funding through Council's Accelerator Fund.
10	Omori Kuratau	To support essential maintenance work at the Omori Kuratau	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested

	Charitable Trust	Community Centre.	funding due to limited funds.
11	Tūrangi Foodbank Inc	To support operational costs for the Tūrangi Foodbank.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
12	Tūrangi Foodbank Inc (2nd application)	To support operational costs.	Members declined this application because they approved funding for the previous application.
13	SeniorNet Tūrangi Inc	To support costs for two Tūrangi SeniorNet members to travel to Christchurch to attend the Federation of SeniorNet New Zealand's annual symposium.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
14	Tūrangi Blue Light	To support costs for trips and activities that the tamariki of Tūrangi can experience.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
15	Tūrangi Neighbourhood Support	To support coordinator costs.	Members declined applications from Tūrangi Neighbourhood Support and Tūrangi Community Patrol because the legal status was likely to change as a result of them merging with Safe Tūrangi. Once the merge process had been completed, the new organisation could apply for funding in the future.
16	Tūrangi Community Patrol	To support costs of a part time coordinator.	Members declined applications from Tūrangi Neighbourhood Support and Tūrangi Community Patrol because the legal status was likely to change as a result of them merging with Safe Tūrangi. Once the merge process had been completed, the new organisation could apply for funding in the future.
17	Oranga Kawakawa	To support costs for uniform, signage, and rent.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
18	Life Education Trust Central Plateau	To support operational costs (wages) of the Healthy Harold programme delivery into Tūrangi schools.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
19	Omori Kuratau Pest Management Group Charitable trust	To support costs for pest management.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
20	Tongariro National Trout Centre	To support costs of electrical upgrades for the community hub.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
21	David Timu	To support costs of hosting a one day wānanga at our marae and revive the significance of this taonga and guide other growers to cultivate the process of how to nurture and grow a successful crop.	Members approved the value of the hall hire.
22	Southern Lakes Probus Club -	To support a series of group trips aimed at fostering social	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested

	Tūrangi	interaction amongst retirees in the Tūrangi Tongariro Ward.	funding due to limited funds.
23	Turangi Tongariro Sports Foundation Inc	To support operational costs for the Sports Foundation.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
24	Tongariro United Women's Rugby Team	To support operational costs.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
25	Tongariro Junior Rugby	To support equipment and services for the upcoming season.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
26	Tūrangi Social Connection	To support the elderly and lonely people out of there house once a week for company and friendship.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
27	The Society for Animal Care Tūrangi, Incorporated	To support operational costs for the Animal Care Tūrangi Centre.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
28	Tongariro School	To support costs of continuing an existing Mural project at the school.	Members supported the application and approved part of the requested funding due to limited funds.
29	Tongariro School (2nd application)	To support the development of educational programs, resources, and facilities at Tongariro School.	Members declined this application because they approved funding for the previous application.
30	Tūrangi Aero Club	To support maintenance of the Aero Club buildings and equipment.	Members approved this application in full.
31	Birthing Goddess	To support the holistic care throughout pregnancy and childbirth.	Members declined this application because it did not meet the criteria.

The Funding and Partnerships Advisor reassured members that the team helped applicants with other sources of funding and connected groups together to collaborate on projects.

The wider Community Engagement and Development team were building capability with workshops and wānanga for governance, raising profiles and sustainable funding.

#### **TTCG202504/04 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor David Trewavas

Seconded: Mr Te Takinga New

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee approves in part the application for the 2024-2025 financial year for Tokaanu Tūrangi RSA - \$3,300.00. **CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting except for Cr Sandra Greenslade voted in favour of resolution TTCG202504/04 above. Cr Sandra Greenslade abstained from voting on resolution TTCG202504/04.*

#### **TTCG202504/05 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor David Trewavas

Seconded: Mr Te Takinga New

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee approves in part the application for the 2024 – 2025 financial year for SeniorNet Tūrangi Inc - \$500.00. **CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting except for Cr Sandra Greenslade voted in favour of resolution TTCG202504/05 above. Cr Sandra*

*Greenslade abstained from voting on resolution TTCG202504/05.*

### **TTCG202504/06 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Mayor David Trewavas

Seconded: Mr Te Takinga New

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee approves in part the application for the 2024 – 2025 financial year for Southern Lakes Probus Club – Tūrangi - \$1,500.00. **CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting except for Cr Sandra Greenslade voted in favour of resolution TTCG202504/06 above. Cr Sandra Greenslade abstained from voting on resolution TTCG202504/06.*

### **TTCG202504/07 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Sandra Greenslade

Seconded: Mayor David Trewavas

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee:

1. Approves in full, in part, or declines these applications for the 2024 – 2025 financial year as follows:
  - i. Central Plateau REAP Charitable Trust - \$3,000.00
  - ii. Tūrangi Land Search and Rescue Incorporated - \$1,500.00
  - iii. Tūrangi Community Events (Rotary Club of Tūrangi) - \$3,000.00
  - iv. Hate Hone St John - Declined
  - v. Lake Taupō Hospice - \$900.00
  - vi. Tūrangi Tokaanu Sports and Cultural Club (AKA Tūrangi Dambusters Junior Rugby League) - \$2,500.00
  - vii. Tūrangi Mountain Region Trust - \$2,000.00
  - viii. Safe Tūrangi - Declined
  - ix. Omori Kuratau Charitable Trust - \$2,500.00
  - x. Tūrangi Foodbank Inc - \$3,000.00
  - xi. Tūrangi Foodbank Inc (2nd application) - Declined
  - xii. Tūrangi Blue Light - \$3,000.00
  - xiii. Tūrangi Neighbourhood Support - Declined
  - xiv. Tūrangi Community Patrol - Declined
  - xv. Oranga Kawakawa - \$1,500.00
  - xvi. Life Education Trust Central Plateau - \$750.00
  - xvii. Omori Kuratau Pest Management Group Charitable trust - \$2,450.00
  - xviii. Tongariro National Trout Centre - \$1,500.00
  - xix. David Timu - \$400.00
  - xx. Turangi Tongariro Sports Foundation Inc - \$4,000.00
  - xxi. Tongariro United Women's Rugby Team - \$1,000.00
  - xxii. Tongariro Junior Rugby - \$2,000.00
  - xxiii. Tūrangi Social Connection - \$1,200.00
  - xxiv. The Society for Animal Care Tūrangi, Incorporated - \$2,500.00
  - xxv. Tongariro School - \$1,000.00
  - xxvi. Tongariro School (2nd application) - Declined
  - xxvii. Tūrangi Aero Club - \$5,000.00
  - xxviii. Birthing Goddess - declined

2. Provides rationale for declined decisions.

**CARRIED**

*Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TTCG202504/07 above.*

**6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS**

Nil

The meeting closed at 11.31am with a karakia from all present.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting held on 6 August 2025.

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**CHAIRPERSON**