



**GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ**  
Taupō District Council

**I give notice that  
a Tūrangī Co-Governance Committee Meeting will be held on:**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Wednesday, 9 July 2025</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>10.30am</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Ngawaka Boardroom Tūrangī Customer and Visitor Information Centre 1 Ngawaka Place Tūrangī</b>

# AGENDA

## MEMBERSHIP

**Co-Chair** Poumatua | Co-Chair Te Wharau Walker

**Co-Chair** Mayor David Trewavas

**Members**

- Member Lauren Fletcher
- Cr Sandra Greenslade
- Member Amanda Martin
- Cr Kevin Taylor
- Member Bernice Te Ahuru
- Member Amy Walker

**Quorum** 4

Two (2) members of each Partner to the Mana Whakahono a Rohe Agreement between Ngāti Tūrangitukua and Taupō District Council (with one of Council's members being an elected member of Council).

**Julie Gardyne**  
**Chief Executive**

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**4.1 ORDINARY TŪRANGI CO-GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - 4 JUNE 2025**

**Author:** Dana Periam, Committee Advisor

**Authorised by:** Nigel McAdie, Legal and Governance Manager

**NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the minutes of the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee meeting held on Wednesday 4 June 2025 be approved and adopted as a true and correct record

**NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

1. Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee Meeting Minutes - 4 June 2025

**5.1 ELECTION OF CO-CHAIR | POUMATUA FOR THE MEETING**

**Author:** Te Wharau Walker Jnr, Poumatua | Co-Chair

**Authorised by:** Te Wharau Walker Jnr, Poumatua | Co-Chair

**TE PŪTAKE | PURPOSE**

To elect a Co-Chair | Poumatua for the meeting.

**NGĀ KŌRERORERO | DISCUSSION**

In accordance with the Mana Whakahono Agreement, the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee has two Co-Chairs, one from each Partner to the Agreement. Mr Te Wharau Walker Junior is Ngāti Tūrangitukua's Co-Chair | Poumatua elect; and Mayor David Trewavas is Taupō District Council's Co-Chair | Poumatua.

There is a need to formally elect a Co-Chair | Poumatua for each meeting. This item enables that to occur. In the event that neither Co-Chair | Poumatua is in attendance at the meeting, a Chairperson must be elected by those members present.

**WHAKAKAPINGA | CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Committee elects Co-Chair | Poumatua Te Wharau Walker to Chair this hui.

**NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee appoints Co-Chair | Poumatua Te Wharau Walker to Chair this hui.

**NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**5.2 PUBLIC FORUM**

**Author:** Te Wharau Walker Jnr, Poumatua | Co-Chair

**Authorised by:** Te Wharau Walker Jnr, Poumatua | Co-Chair

**TE PŪTAKE | PURPOSE**

To receive comments from members of the public on matters specified on this agenda or, if time permits, on other Committee matters.

**NGĀ KŌRERORERO | DISCUSSION**

Standing Orders provide for a period of up to 30 minutes to be made available at the start of meetings for members of the public to bring matters to the attention of the Committee. Any issue, idea or matter raised in public forum must fall within the Committee's terms of reference.

Speakers can speak for up to 5 minutes. Where the number of speakers presenting in the public forum exceeds 6 in total, the chairperson has discretion to restrict the speaking time permitted for all presenters. Members of the public wishing to address the Committee during public forum should register at least one clear day before the meeting by emailing [publicforum@taupo.govt.nz](mailto:publicforum@taupo.govt.nz).

No debate or decisions will be made at the meeting on issues raised during the forum unless related to items already on the agenda. Items not on the agenda may only be discussed if the matter is minor in nature and the procedures set out in Standing Order 9.13 are followed. A meeting may deal with (i.e. make a resolution in respect of) an item of business not on the agenda only if the procedures set out in Standing Order 9.12 are followed.

The relevant extracts from Standing Orders are **attached**.

**WHAKAKAPINGA | CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee receives comments from members of the public.

**NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee receives comments from members of the public.

**NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

1. Extract from Standing Orders 2022-25

**5.3 REQUEST FOR EASEMENT TO THE LINES COMPANY LIMITED FOR 33KV POWER CABLE**

**Author:** Karyn Hollman, Senior Solicitor

**Authorised by:** Nigel McAdie, Legal and Governance Manager

**TE PŪTAKE | PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to consider the request for a new electricity easement to The Lines Company Limited (TLC) over land subject to Part D of the Mana Whakahono ā Rohe.

**WHAKARĀPOPOTOTANGA MATUA | EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

TLC requests an easement in respect of a 33kV power cable being installed within Tūrangi to provide a backup power to the local community.

The Committee is required to consider, first, whether to grant the easement; and second, whether to approve the easement on behalf of the Minister of Conservation under section 48(1) of the Reserves Act 1977.

**NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee:

1. agrees to grant a right to convey electricity easement in gross to The Lines Company Limited over:
  - a. part Lot 1 DP 28845 (Title 148633) being part of the Tūrangitukua Park;
  - b. part Lot 67 DP 50585 (Title 148632);
  - c. part Lot 4 DP 50584, and part Lots 71 and 72 DP 50583 (Title WN52D/938).
2. authorises the Chief Executive to negotiate the terms of the electricity easement;
3. approves the grant of an electricity easement to The Lines Company Limited over part Lot 4 DP 50584, and part Lots 71 and 72 DP 50583 (Title WN52D/938), being local purpose (utility) reserve, on behalf of the Minister of Conservation under s48(1) of the Reserves Act 1977; and
4. authorises the Chief Executive and the Mayor to do and sign what is needed to enable the electricity easement to be registered at Land Information New Zealand at the cost of The Lines Company Limited.

**TE WHAKAMAHUKI | BACKGROUND**

The proposal has not been presented previously.

**NGĀ KŌRERORERO | DISCUSSION**

The proposed power cable will provide a backup power supply that is available during periods of repair and maintenance of the primary supply. Without the backup supply, the community will suffer a power outage or disruption during these times.

The route of the cable is shown by a dot-dash orange line on the maps **attached**. The proposed cable is to go under seven land parcels. Two of the seven parcels are road, in respect of which no further action is required: the necessary legal rights are afforded to all utility operators by the National Code of Practice mandated under the Utilities Access Act 2010. The other five parcels are listed in Schedule 5 to the Mana Whakahono, in respect of which TLC seeks a right to convey electricity easement.

The proposal is to drill the cable in the ground to minimise the impact to the land surface. Some open excavation is needed but this will be kept to a minimum.

The cable is to lie within an existing corridor that already accommodates water and wastewater pipes. The corridor includes a section under an existing pedestrian bridge over land owned by the Ngāti Tūrangitukau Charitable Trust, and a section within local purpose (utility) reserve.

The Committee is required to consider, first, whether to grant the easement; and second, whether to approve the easement on behalf of the Minister of Conservation under section 48(1) of the Reserves Act 1977.

For the reasons given below, we do not believe public notice of the proposed easement is required, pursuant to s48(3) of the Reserves Act.

Accordingly, there are two options:

- 1: Do not approve easements to TLC in respect of a 33kV power cable.
- 2: Approve easements to TLC in respect of a 33kV power cable.

## NGĀ KŌWHIRINGA | OPTIONS

### Analysis of Options

#### **Option 1: Do not approve easements to TLC in respect of a 33kV power cable.**

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This is no need for drilling under the land, or (limited) open excavation of the land.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TLC will need to re-design or not proceed with the second power supply regardless that Ngāti Tūrangitukua has already approved the proposal.</li> <li>Without the proposed power cable, there will be power shortages or outages during periods of repair or maintenance of the primary power source, with adverse impact on the local economy and community.</li> </ul>

#### **Option 2: Approve easements to TLC in respect of a 33kV power cable.**

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The cable is legally compliant, so TLC can proceed with its installation immediately the area is surveyed for easement purposes.</li> <li>The cable ensures that the local power demand can be met without disruptions or shortages.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some limited open excavation to the land is required.</li> </ul>

### **Analysis Conclusion:**

The preferred option is **Option 2: Approve easements to TLC in respect of a 33kV power cable.**

## NGĀ HĪRAUNGA | CONSIDERATIONS

### **Ngā Aronga Pūtea | Financial Considerations**

The financial impact of this proposal is nil. No consideration is payable by TLC for the easement grant, and TLC is expected to meet the costs to register the easement and maintain its infrastructure.

### Long-term Plan/Annual Plan

There is no expenditure to be budgeted for in relation to the proposed easements and/or licences.

### **Ngā Aronga Ture | Legal Considerations**

### Local Government Act 2002

The matter comes within scope of the Council's lawful powers, including satisfying the purpose statement of [Section 10](#) of the Local Government Act 2002, which says that the purpose of local government is (a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and (b) to promote

the social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future. We consider that social and economic wellbeing are relevant to this proposal, as the proposal relates to the reliable delivery of an essential utility to the community.

#### Section 48(1) Reserves Act 1977 and Part D Mana Whakahono ā rohe

The Committee is required to decide a. whether to grant the easement; and b. whether to consent on behalf of the Minister of Conservation to the easement over the local purpose (utility) reserve parcel.

The proposed easement involves two land parcels owned by the Ngāti Tūrāngitukua Charitable Trust. In this respect the Committee is to seek and adopt the recommendation of the Ngāti Tūrāngitukua members, unless there is a legal or other significant impediment to the Committee doing so.

The Ngāti Tūrāngitukua Charitable Trust has by email approved TLC's proposal.

The utility reserve, and the public rights in respect of it, will not be materially affected or permanently damaged by the installation of the underground cable, given the purpose of the reserve is for utilities, which already accommodates underground water and wastewater pipes. TLC will be responsible to reinstate the surface of the land (if needed) following installation of the cable. Accordingly, public notice of the proposed easement is not required pursuant to section 48(3) of the Reserves Act 1977.

No further authorisations are required.

#### Electricity Act 1992 / Electricity (Safety) Regulations 2010

On installation, the cable will comply with legal requirements, and the Electricity Engineers' Association's recommended best practice for security of supply, and TLC's own Security of Supply Policy.

#### **Ngā Hīraunga Kaupapa Here | Policy Implications**

There are no known policy implications. The current Tūrangi reserves management plan process does not affect the current proposal.

#### **Te Kōrero tahi ki te Ngāti Tūrāngitukua | Engagement with Ngāti Tūrāngitukua**

Taupō District Council is committed to meeting its statutory Tiriti O Waitangi obligations and acknowledges partnership as the basis of Te Tiriti. Council has a responsibility to act reasonably and in good faith to reflect the partnership relationship, and to give effect to the principles of Te Tiriti. These principles include but are not limited to the protection of rights of Ngāti Tūrāngitukua, enabling Ngāti Tūrāngitukua's participation in Council processes, and having rangatiratanga over tāonga.

Our statutory obligations outline our duties to engage with Ngāti Tūrāngitukua and enable participation in Council processes. Alongside this, we recognise the need to work side by side with the ahi kaa / resident iwi of our district. Engagement may not always be required by law, however meaningful engagement with Ngāti Tūrāngitukua allows Council to demonstrate good faith and our commitment to working together as partners across our district.

TLC has engaged directly with the Ngāti Tūrāngitukua Charitable Trust about this easement proposal.

#### **Ngā Tūraru | Risks**

There are no known risks. Investigations of the pedestrian bridge indicate it can handle the additional loading created by the installation of the proposed cable.

#### **TE HIRANGA O TE WHAKATAU, TE TONO RĀNEI | SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DECISION OR PROPOSAL**

Council's Significance and Engagement Policy identifies matters to be considered when assessing the degree of significance of proposals and decisions.

Officers have undertaken an assessment of the matters in the [Significance and Engagement Policy \(2022\)](#), and are of the opinion that the proposal under consideration is of a low degree of significance.



**TE KŌRERO TAHI | ENGAGEMENT**

Taking into consideration the above assessment, that the decision is of a low degree of significance, officers are of the opinion that no further engagement is required prior to the Committee's decision.

**TE WHAKAWHITI KŌRERO PĀPAHO | COMMUNICATION/MEDIA**

No communication/media required.

**WHAKAKAPINGA | CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Committee approve the grant of an electricity easement to The Lines Company Limited to enable the installation of a 33kV cable that will provide a backup power supply to the Tūrangi community, and to grant Ministerial consent to such easement under section 48(1) of the Reserves Act 1977.

**NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

1. Proposed 33kV Cable Route - The Lines Company Limited

**5.4 TŪRANGI CLOSED LANDFILL CONSENT RENEWAL**

**Author:** Brent Aitken, Environmental Impact Manager

**Authorised by:** Roger Stokes, Infrastructure Manager

**TE PŪTAKE | PURPOSE**

To advise the committee of the requirement to renew the closed landfill consent and provide the opportunity to provide input into Council's consent application which is intended to be lodged by 25 July 2025.

**NGĀ KŌRERORERO | DISCUSSION**

Taupō District Council holds resource consents from Waikato Regional Council (WRC) in relation to the closed landfill site at Te Rangitukehu Street in Tūrangi. These consents provide for discharge to Land 940721 and discharge to Air 940724 which expire at the end of July this year. Waikato Regional Council have advised that they require the one for discharge to ground to be renewed.

**1. Site History**

Landfilling at the Tūrangi site started in the 1970s. The fill site was to the west of where the current transfer station is now (Figure 1). As was the practice back in the day the site was not lined. Leachate from the waste soaked to ground beneath the fill. Stormwater was captured and soaked away on the site.



Figure 1: Tūrangi Closed landfill site

There are no records of how much waste was placed each year. Waste was sourced mainly from the Tūrangi township. At that time all the lakeshore settlements had their own landfills, and it was only in the late 1990s that refuse began to be transported to Broadlands Road. A common practice at the time was to burn the waste at the dump sites and it is likely this happened at the Tūrangi site. Burning did remove most of the organic material, leaving ash, charred timber and metals.

The Tūrangi site was closed in 1995, and the area was capped with around 0.5m of soil and grassed. Since then, part of the site has been used for stockpiling and processing green waste and the balance grazed or mowed.

## **2. Site Consents**

Consents were granted for the landfill as a closed site in 1995. These expire this year. A meeting was held on site with Waikato Regional Council staff in September 2024 where it was agreed that an air discharge consent and stormwater discharge consent in relation to the closed landfill were not required any more due to the age of the waste. A consent for the ongoing discharge of leachate to groundwater under the landfill however was considered to still be necessary.

## **3. Effects of the Waste in the Closed Landfill**

The waste in the Tūrangi closed landfill is now more than 30 years old and would be largely stabilised. No boreholes were installed around the site as part of the original consent, but a programme of monitoring the water in the adjacent Kahurau Stream and the site drains was started in August 1994 and continues to this day. Monitoring of the Kahurau Stream over the years has consistently shown no detectable effect from the landfill activity.

The main contaminant of environmental significance seen in old landfills in New Zealand is nitrogen. Landfill leachate is elevated in ammoniacal nitrogen, after passage through pumice soil as at Tūrangi this is largely changed to nitrate nitrogen. Nitrate levels both upstream and downstream of the site are very similar and relatively low at around 0.1-0.35 g/m<sup>3</sup>. In comparison the Drinking Water Standard for nitrate-N is 11.4 g/m<sup>3</sup>. Ammoniacal nitrogen levels are also low and well below water quality limits, and on occasion higher upstream.

These results are as would be expected for the age of the waste.

There was never any collection of landfill gas from the site, this would have dissipated to air through the pumice cover soils. Given the age of the waste, landfill gas discharge will now be at very minor rates.

## **4. Maintenance of the Site**

The Tūrangi Closed landfill is in an “aftercare” regime. This involves regular inspection of the capping to make sure there is no scour exposing waste or settlement which allows water to pond. The water runoff and the stream continue to be monitored.

## **5. Future for the Stage 1 site**

The site will remain in its aftercare mode for some years to come. The site will continue to be used for green waste stockpiling and processing. The location beside the Tūrangi Transfer Station makes the closed landfill a logical place for this recycling to occur.

## **6. New Consent required**

While the environmental effects of the site are now minor, the waste still remains in place. For this reason, Waikato Regional Council have requested that the discharge consent be renewed. This will keep in place the process for ongoing management of the site and any unforeseen effects that could arise in the future. The

term of the new consent is expected to be a further 35 years. The Site is listed on the Taupō District Council register as a closed landfill site to ensure that its past use is not forgotten. The consent application has been compiled by WSP and is attached.

This application is expected to be processed as a non-notified application by WRC, so this item provides an opportunity for the committee to have some input into the consent application if they wish.

### **Te Kōrero tahi ki te Māori | Māori Engagement**

Taupō District Council is committed to meeting its statutory Tiriti O Waitangi obligations and acknowledges partnership as the basis of Te Tiriti. Council has a responsibility to act reasonably and in good faith to reflect the partnership relationship, and to give effect to the principles of Te Tiriti. These principles include, but are not limited to the protection of Māori rights, enabling Māori participation in Council processes and having rangatiratanga over tāonga.

Our statutory obligations outline our duties to engage with Māori and enable participation in Council processes. Alongside this, we recognise the need to work side by side with iwi, and hapū of our district.

In line with these obligations and commitments we have met with the Ngati Tūrangitukua Charitable Trust and had made adjustments to the consent application and adjusted the timeframe for the consent to 20 years.

### **WHAKAKAPINGA | CONCLUSION**

Adverse effects from the old, closed landfill at the Tūrangi Transfer station are not detectable now due to the elapsed time since closure, but council will continue to monitor the impacts of the site and will report these findings to WRC. The timeline to provide input to the consent application document is set to close on 18 July 2025.

### **NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee receives the information regarding the requirement to renew the consent for the old landfill located at the Tūrangi Transfer station and noted the closing date for the opportunity to provide input.

### **NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**5.5 OPERATIONS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATES FOR TŪRANGI**

**Author:** Marama Isherwood, Southern Lake Taupō Engagement Partner

**Authorised by:** Jessica Sparks, Environmental Services Manager

**TE PŪTAKE | PURPOSE**

This item is for the Committee to receive updates on operations and community engagement within Tūrangi.

**NGĀ KŌRERORERO | DISCUSSION****Community Engagement**

The Southern Lake Taupō Engagement Partner will update the committee on engagement in Tūrangi.

**Local Elections Update**

The General Manager People and Community Partnerships will give a high-level update on local elections.

**Mana Whakahono Community Partnership Plan Update**

Officers to provide a verbal update at the meeting.

**Hirangi Stream Maintenance**

Officers from the Iwi and Co-Governance and Parks and Reserves teams are liaising with Ngāti Tūrangitukua to discuss the revitalisation and maintenance of the Hirangi Stream.

**WHAKAKAPINGA | CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Committee receives the updates on current projects and community engagement in Tūrangi.

**NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee receives the updates on operations and community engagement in Tūrangi.

**NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**5.6 MANA WHAKAHONO WORKPLAN UPDATE**

**Author:** Sue Mavor, Co-Governance Management Partner

**Authorised by:** Hadley Tattle, General Manager People and Community Partnerships

**TE PŪTAKE | PURPOSE**

The purpose of this recurring item is to provide the Tūrangi Co-Governance committee with a high-level overview on how key actions within the Mana Whakahono are tracking.

**NGĀ KŌRERORERO | DISCUSSION**

The overarching purpose of the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee is to:

- a. Be the vehicle through which governance of all joint matters subject to the Mana Whakahono are facilitated between the Partners;
- b. The powers and functions of the Committee as set out in the Mana Whakahono are exercised; and
- c. To govern the implementation of the Mana Whakahono and fulfil the purpose, principles and functions as prescribed within the Mana Whakahono.

**WHAKAKAPINGA | CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee receives the information on the Mana Whakahono workplan.

**NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee receives the Mana Whakahono workplan update (3772332).

**NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

1. Mana Whakahono Dashboard Report

**5.7 MEMBERS' REPORTS**

**Author:** Karen Watts, Senior Committee Advisor

**Authorised by:** Nigel McAdie, Legal and Governance Manager

**TE PŪTAKE | PURPOSE**

This item permits members to provide feedback on any items of interest arising from meetings/events they have attended.

No debate and/or resolution is permitted on any of the reports.

**WHAKAKAPINGA | CONCLUSION**

Members' reports will be presented at the meeting for receipt.

**NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA | RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Tūrangi Co-Governance Committee receives the reports from members.

**NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA | ATTACHMENTS**

Nil