

**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, 6 AUGUST 2025 AT 2.00PM**

PRESENT: Mr Te Wharau Walker Jnr (in the Chair), Cr Karam Fletcher, Cr Sandra Greenslade, Ms Bernice Te Ahuru

IN ATTENDANCE: Community Engagement and Development Manager (T Russell), Senior Funding and Partnerships Advisor (B Forlong), Funding and Partnerships Advisor (E Godwin), Southern Lake Taupō Engagement Partner (M Isherwood), Iwi Engagement Partner (T Walker), Iwi and Co-Governance Advisor (A Kereopa), Senior Committee Advisor (K Watts)

MEDIA AND PUBLIC: Four members of the public

Notes: (i) *Community Engagement and Development Manager Tania Russell opened the meeting and, following the karakia, asked members to elect a Chairperson.*

(ii) *Items were considered in the following order: 1, 5.1, 2, 3, 4.1, 5.2*

1 KARAKIA

All present recited Council's karakia led by Cr Karam Fletcher

2 WHAKAPĀHA | APOLOGIES

TTCG202508/01 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Karam Fletcher

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That apologies from Mayor David Trewavas be received and accepted.

CARRIED

Note: *All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TTCG202508/01 above.*

3 NGĀ WHAKAPĀNGA TUKITUKI | CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Item 5.2:

- Cr Sandra Greenslade advised that she was a member of Southern Lakes Probus Club Tūrangi and the Tokaanu Tūrangi RSA. She clarified that she had no prior knowledge of the applications before they were shared with the committee members.
- Ms Bernice Te Ahuru advised that she was a member of the Tokaanu Tūrangi RSA and a project manager for the Tongariro National Troutcentre. She clarified that she had no prior knowledge of the applications before they were shared with the committee members.

4 WHAKAMANATANGA O NGĀ MENETI | CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 TŪRANGI TONGARIRO COMMUNITY GRANT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE MEETING - 23 APRIL 2025

TTCG202508/02 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Sandra Greenslade

Seconded: Cr Karam Fletcher

That the minutes of the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting held on Wednesday 23 April 2025 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 TTCG202508/02 above.

5 NGĀ RIPOATA | REPORTS

5.1 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

The Community Engagement and Development Manager recommended that system B be used to determine the election process for the Chairperson.

TTCG202508/03 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Karam Fletcher

Seconded: Cr Sandra Greenslade

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee confirms that System B will be used to determine the election process for the Chairperson.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TTCG202508/03 above.

TTCG202508/04 RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Sandra Greenslade

Seconded: Cr Karam Fletcher

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee elects Mr Te Wharau Walker Jnr as the Chairperson of the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee.

CARRIED

Note: All members present at the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee meeting voted in favour of resolution TTCG202508/04 above.

5.2 AUGUST 2025 - TŪRANGI AND TONGARIRO COMMUNITY FUND DISTRIBUTION

The Funding and Partnerships Advisor introduced herself to members and explained the purpose of the funding was to positively service the community as per the report.

She summarised the key information from the report including the number of applications received and reminded members that each application could only receive a maximum of \$5000.00. Each application had been scored out of five to indicate how it aligned with the criteria and framework.

She advised that Southern Lakes Probus Club - Tūrangi had withdrawn its application because the earlier funding received had not been spent. Since the agenda had been produced, the Tongariro Junior Rugby had provided its accountability report so was eligible to receive funding. She clarified that the Tongariro National Trout Centre had previously received funding from another department at Council for buses but this funding was no longer available.

The following applicants were present and provided additional information:

Mrs Christine Dally and Ms Krista Smith, Animal Care Tūrangi

Previous funding received was much appreciated. The funding requested was for the veterinary bill as many of the animals in their care had been injured or surrendered by their owners. It was also for vaccinations, consultation fees and desexing. There were currently 20 cats in care and the facility could hold a maximum of 45 cats. They did not currently have dogs but hoped to be able to do that in the future. They received funding from other organisations and did fundraising when they could.

Mr Phil Greene, Tokaanu Tūrangi RSA

Mr Greene thanked the committee for the last round of funding which had allowed them to get a kitchen bench which was much better for hygiene and cleanliness in the kitchen. They had also bought a chiller and upgraded the deep fryer, both had made a huge difference. In answer to questions he advised that the ergonomic chairs were for some of the members who had limited mobility. With the chairs being higher and having armrests, it made it easier to get up and down from them.

Mr Graeme Lauder, Tūrangi Social Connection

Mr Lauder confirmed that there were between 18 to 34 people in the group and he usually catered for at least 26 people each week for the shared meal. The next social outing he was organising was a concert in Whakarewarewa.

Members supported the applications that had scored highly because this indicated their stronger alignment with the Community Funding Eligibility and Assessment Framework.

The following applications were declined or supported in part:

- Safe Tūrangi (for a mobile community noticeboard) was declined because members agreed that the funding would be better used for other purposes.
- Tūrangi Social Connection – members supported the second application in full because it benefitted so many in the community for a long period of time. They declined the application for the bus costs for social outings because it was for a one-off event. This could also be applied for again in the March 2026 round of funding.
- Tongariro National Troutcentre – members supported a bus from Tūrangi only because it felt like a business perspective if support was given to Taupō schools due to the previous funding stream being stopped.

The remainder of \$780 was carried over to the March 2026 funding round.

TTCG202508/05 RESOLUTION

Moved: Mr Te Wharau Walker Jnr

Seconded: Cr Karam Fletcher

That the Tūrangi Tongariro Community Grant Distribution Committee:

1. Approves in full, in part, or declines these applications for the first funding round of the 2025 -2026 financial year as follows:

i.	David Timu	\$1,500
ii.	The Society for Animal care Tūrangi inc	\$5,000
iii.	Tokaanu Tūrangi RSA	\$5,000
iv.	Tūrangi Karate Club	\$2,000
v.	Tongariro Junior Rugby	\$1,220
vi.	Tūrangi Social Connection (second application)	\$3,700
vii.	Tūrangi Wanderers AFC	\$5,000
viii.	Tongariro National Trout Centre	\$800
ix.	Safe Tūrangi	Declined
x.	Tūrangi Social Connection (bus trip)	Declined
xi.	Southern Lakes Probus Club - Tūrangi	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 TTCG202508/05 above.

6 NGĀ KŌRERO TŪMATAITI | CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Nil

The meeting closed at 3.05pm with a karakia from all present.

The minutes of this meeting were approved and adopted as a true and correct record by the Chairperson and the Chief Executive in accordance with Standing Order 28.4.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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