

APPENDICES MINUTES

Community Wellbeing Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 13 August 2025



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Community Wellbeing Network Report

Highlighting our activities and actions



Access and Inclusion

- **Priority one: Giving Voice to Marginalised Communities.**

- Workshops

- Living in Full Colour - Kauri Tearaura
- Unconscious Bias - Kauri Tearaura
- Different Brains – Bright Futures - Ange Field



- Advocacy

- Sharon Williams made a submission on behalf of the Access and Inclusion network to Horizons Regional Council. Her submission focused on rural and low income communities and people with disabilities.



Access and Inclusion

- **Priority 2: Workforce Diversity and Inclusion** means harnessing the full range of cultures, skills, talents, and perspectives that exist across our region. It empowers people to contribute meaningfully, driving innovation, collaboration, and a stronger, fairer local economy.
- The network organised a presentation from Andrew Reid, CEO. HCL. Key take-outs.
 - “ We are not the lead agency, but we are a willing enabler to:
 - Partner to raise awareness and capability among employers
 - Create platforms to highlight the value of inclusive workplaces
 - Explore funding and support models through MSD, iwi, or trust channels
 - Include access and inclusion as part of future strategic planning”



Youth Services Update Report

Critical issues facing our youth sector

- Youth mental health issues are becoming more complex and prevalent.
- Neuro-diversity and LGBTQ communities continue to face stigma and marginalisation.
- Sluggish economic conditions are making it harder for young people to get first their jobs
- NEET numbers are continuing to grow.
- Vaping and smoking numbers are decreasing but are still at high levels. Concerns that the significant increase of meth and cocaine in water testing may also reflect a greater usage by young people.
- Youth offending prosecutions are decreasing, violent offending has risen.
- Negative media youth narratives continue to be an issue.
- Youth workers unable to access quality, culturally appropriate supervision/coaching.



Activities and Building local connections and capability



Living in Full Colour
RAINBOW INCLUSION WORKSHOP

Join us for a powerful, interactive workshop designed to support and celebrate our Rainbow community here in Horowhenua. Together, we'll explore key themes like the diversity within the LGBTQIA+ community, Aotearoa's queer history and takatāpuitanga. This is a safe and welcoming space for all — whether you're a parent, caregiver, educator, youth worker, or ally.

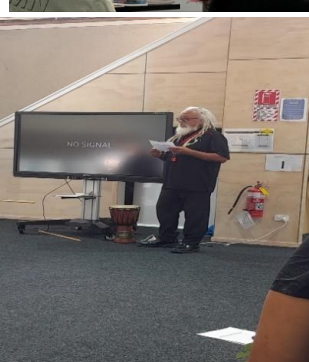
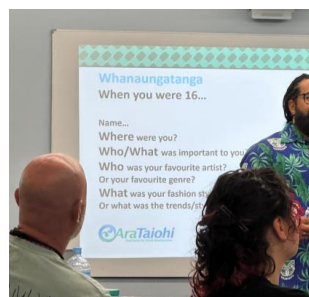
June 27 Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō
Open Meeting Room
6pm onwards

Free transport is available for Foxton and Shannon residents (by request).
To book, contact Laura: community@horowhenua.govt.nz

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COMMUNITY AT HEART



Free
MANA TAIOHI
Principles of Youth Development Training

DATE: 7 MARCH 2025
TIME: 9-3.30PM
LOCATION: TOTARA ROOM-TE TAKERETANGA O KURA-HAU-PŌ

Come and join Matt Renata with an intro to a principle-based framework for working with youth. Perfect for Professionals and anyone that works with youth in the community

REGISTER NOW!
CONTACT KIM STEWART
kims@horowhenua.govt.nz

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Youth Voice

Advocacy and Community Service

- **Horizons Regional Council Submission**
Youth Voice presented their views on public transport making their voices heard at a regional level.

- **Burger Blast**
Youth Voice members helped with serving, cleaning, and representing Youth Voice at this busy whānau-friendly community event.



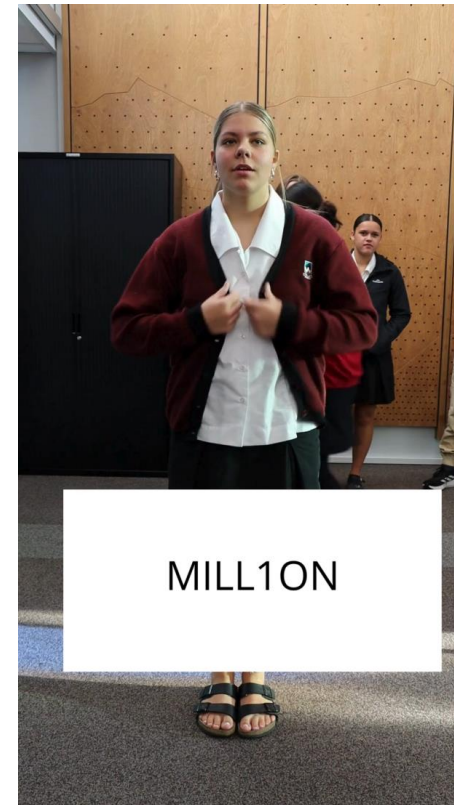


Youth Voice

Building Reach and Engagement

- **Social Media Impact**
Youth Voice's brainteaser post went viral reaching 4,733,449 people
- **Engagement**
 - 107,221 likes
 - 75,952 shares
 - 17,107 new followers
 - 8.5 million views across Instagram and the HDC Tiktok page

The impact of having fun!



Youth Empowerment

- First round of 2025/2026 applications
- Purpose of the fund
- The role of Youth Voice
- Charlie, The Horowhenua College Breakfast Club and the Multicultural Youth Council



Older Person's Network

Progress on our three priorities areas:

1. Hauora, health and wellbeing

- a. Building an understanding of usage and barriers for older people to ring 0800 4 Takuta to access health advise.
- b. Designing a medical handy booklet.
- c. A household repair workshop was facilitated by Habitat for Humanities. Attended by a small group of older people. To be re-run.

2. Addressing isolation and building social connection

- a. Improving collaboration between local age concerned providers.
- b. HDC Library team continue to provide a great service addressing older people's low digital literacy.
- c. The HDC, DIA and ECCT funding workshop was well attended and appreciated by local providers.
- c. Plans in place for a submission to Horizons Trust to advocate for older people's needs.
- d. Facilitated Powering up workshop- Tips and tricks to stay safe at home, out and about and online. To re-run the Cossie club in October.

3. Ageing in place and encouraging life planning

- a. Currently doing a funding application to the office for Seniors to design three virtual workshops.



Workshops



FREE WORKSHOP
Powering Up

This course is designed to inform and upskill professionals, so they can empower our older community to feel safe and in control – at home, in their community, and online.

Held in three locations – choose the one that suits you best!

5 Mental Services
1 Leif's Mile, Teane
Thursday 5 June 2025
9:30am–12pm

6 Te Pūnahaungā o Haurua
16 Pioneer Terrace, Sharnum
Friday 6 June 2025
9:30am–12pm

12 Age Concern
526 Queen Street East, Levin
Thursday 12 June 2025
9:30am–12pm

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Horowhenua Community Fund Writing Workshop AND FUNDING EXPO

Join us for an energising session where you'll discover how to write standout funding applications and connect one-on-one with funders in a relaxed, friendly setting. Walk away inspired, informed, and ready to take your projects to the next level with the right tools and connections!

12 To Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō
Open Meeting Room
3:5pm onwards

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FREE WORKSHOP
Ageing in place

Want to help older people live well and safely in their own homes? Learn what's needed for successful ageing in place and explore the local support services available. Perfect for anyone working with older people or interested in ageing well.

14 Age Concern
526 Queen Street East, Levin
Wednesday 14 May
10am–2pm

To register, contact Kim Stewart
kim@horowhenua.govt.nz

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Connecting whānau to FREE virtual doctors appointments

Call 0800 4 TĀKUTA
0800 4 825 882

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AFFORDABLE HOME MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

Affordable home maintenance and repairs

Helped for Humanity COO Northern Cullins, with about the work. Helped for Humanity go to help whānau in up shore homes to make them more livable, safe and warm.

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1200 10th Floor
Wednesday 13 June, 10am to 11:30am

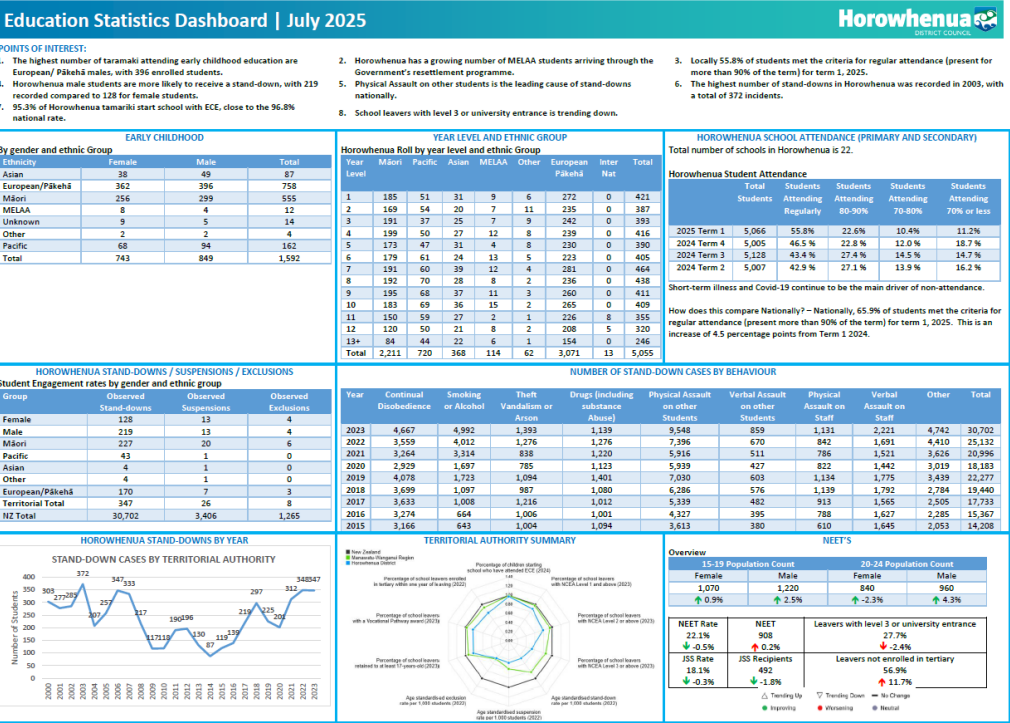
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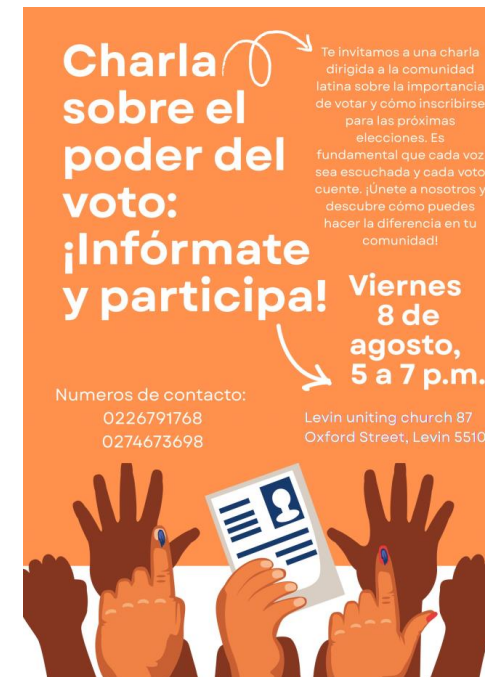
Horowhenua Former Refugee Support Committee

- Former Refugee Community invited to participate in Palmerston North's World Refugee Day.
- Venezuelan and Colombian Independence day celebration and flag raising ceremonies took place during July.



Horowhenua Former Refugee Support Committee

- Two former refugees have appointed to local election ambassador roles and held their first information session for former refugees by former refugees.
- These ambassador roles are about building trust within the community around voting, due to mistrust around election processes and voting in their homelands.



Vulnerable Housing Network

June - July Action Priorities

- Mapping Social Housing Provision and Providers.
- Developing Draft Strategy and Action Plan.
- Exploring Habitat to Humanity's capacity to deliver in the Horowhenua.
- Building an understanding of compliance rates and issues with Healthy Home legislation in rentals.
- Building a qualitative understanding of lived experiences of housing hardships.



Vulnerable Housing Network

Skill Building workshops

- House reno's, home - ownership, flatting and being a good landlord.

Information Dissemination

- You're not alone Pamphlet- A guide for those without shelter.
- Dissemination of MSD Social housing options and criteria.

Partnerships (in progress)

- Habitat for Humanity.
- Manawatū Tenants' Union.



Horowhenua Mana Kai Network

June-July progress

ESTABLISHMENT

- Finalised strategy, Action Plan and Values Proposition
- Finalising mana kai system map for Horowhenua
- Finalised funding applications
- Building the reach and size of the network
- Connecting with providers –to understand challenges and opportunities
- Building a website and established online communications tool
- Finalising the logo



Horowhenua Mana Kai Network

Activities

Inaugural Steering group meeting

Burger Blast – Provide, Support and Capture data

Volunteering - to help and build intel

Launch- 22 September - Speaker Deborah Manning, NZ sustainability leader of the Year 2025

Plans for the network to cater at Age on the Go

Linking with the Horowhenua Breakfast Club

