

Chairman's report.

Taihape Community Board December 2023.

The last two months have seen both our northern ward councillors plus members of the Board attend attending the RDC consultation meetings on the Long Term Plan. As the representative of the board, I will be presenting to Council further n our submission.

As discussed at the March Workshop the Community Board takes its workshops and perhaps one standing meeting out to those smaller communities starting this year in July. This month we will set the dates and places for the first four workshops.

It has been pleasing to receive emails from council staff updating us on the rejuvenation of the Town Hall and Memorial Park Grandstand. Being informed makes our job easier in talking to the people of the Northern Ward.

Road safety in the area is still a concern despite the feedback from RDC. We are still awaiting response from Land Transport as to when assigned work is going to be carried out. This is some 8 months after the board presented to council on this issue.

It was great to see that the Parks and Reserves staff are partway through the removal of the overlarge flaxes at various intersections on Hautapu St.

As Chair I will be meeting with the Principal at TAS, firstly as a courtesy call and also to emphasise that the board has made two generous donations to students who are involved in leadership training and that we will be very interested to hear how they have done and contributed to the community.

We should continue to strongly push for Rangitikei District Council's RFS system for notification of concerns etc, is continued to be recommended as the best means of bringing people's concerns to the attention of the RDC staff.