

AGENDA/KAUPAPA



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MEMBERSHIP: Tony Robinson (Chair), Larry Foster, Teddy Thompson, Nick Tupara

HEARING SUBMISSIONS PANEL/KĀHUI TĀPAETANGA TURE Ā-ROHE

DATE: Thursday 11 May 2023

TIME: 11:00AM

AT: Tuatini Marae, 18 Waitangi Street, Tokomaru Bay

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Bylaw Submissions Hearings Panel

Reports to:	Council
Chair:	Cr Tony Robinson
Membership:	Cr Larry Foster, Cr Debbie Gregory, Cr Aubrey Ria, Cr Teddy Thompson and Cr Nick Tupara
Meeting frequency:	As required

Purpose

The purpose of the committee is:

- (1) Decide matters which Council may delegate only to a committee of Council under the Local Government Act 2002
- (2) Act as a panel of candidates that may be appointed to a Hearing Panel (for matters that are not required to be heard or decided by a committee).

Terms of Reference

Decide matters which Council may delegate only to a committee of Council under the Local Government Act 2002. This includes hearing and determining matters regarding drainage and works on private land under the Local Government Act 1974 and Local Government Act 2002.

For matters that are not required to be heard and determined by a Committee, the Chair of the Committee will establish a Hearing Panel (ideally comprising 2-3 members) as necessary on a case-by-case basis, for the purposes of conducting hearings and/or determining under delegated authority any other matters required to be determined by the Council under legislation.

Power to Act

The Committee will have the authority to exercise any powers and functions necessary to fulfil the role and purpose for which the panel is appointed.

The Chair of the Committee has the power to appoint a Hearing Panel comprising a Chair and at least one other member.

Hearing Panels

Terms of Reference

A Hearing Panel may be appointed by the Chair of the Committee to do one or more of the following:

- Conduct a hearing and make decisions of a quasi-judicial nature on behalf of the Council on regulatory matters that the Council is legally empowered or obligated to hear and determine (including those decisions where the decision is required to be made by resolution).
- To exercise this function in accordance with:
 - the applicable legislation;
 - the Council's corporate strategies, policies and plans; and
 - the principles of administrative law and natural justice.

- The functions of a Hearing Panel may include:
 - Hearing submissions on a Council proposal to make, amend, or revoke a bylaw, and making a recommendation to the Council in relation to the decision.
 - Hearing and determining objections under the Dog Control Act 1996.
 - Decision-making under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 other than decisions required to be made by the District Licensing Committee.
 - Hearing and determining matters arising under bylaws.
 - To conduct hearings and/or determine under delegated authority applications relating to Temporary Road Closures pursuant to section 342 of the Local Government Act 1974.

A hearing panel is not a committee or subcommittee for the purposes of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Power to Act

A Hearing panel appointed by the Chair of the Committee will have the authority to exercise any powers and functions necessary to fulfil the role and purpose for which the panel is appointed.

Relevant legislation includes but is not limited to:

- All Bylaws
- Biosecurity Act 1993
- Building Act 2004
- Dog Control Act 1996
- Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987
- Gambling Act 2003
- Land Transport Act 1998
- Health Act 1956
- Local Government Act 1974
- Local Government Act 2002
- Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012
- Waste Minimisation Act 2008
- Maritime Transport Act 1994 and Related Regulations.

A Hearings Panel does not have the authority to make, amend, or revoke a bylaw, but may recommend such a decision to Council.

Power to Recommend

To Council and/or any Council committee as it deems appropriate.

9. Reports of the Chief Executive and Staff for DECISION



23-90

Title: 23-90 Submission Hearing Panel - Intention to Grant a lease Hatea-a Rangi Memorial Park

Section: Liveable Communities

Prepared by: Chris Visser – Principal Community Assets and Partnerships Advisor

Meeting Date: Thursday 11 May 2023

Legal: Yes

Financial: No

Significance: **Medium**

Report to HEARING SUBMISSIONS PANEL/KĀHUI TĀPAETANGA TURE Ā-ROHE for decision

PURPOSE - TE TAKE

The purpose of this report is for Gisborne District Council (Council) to receive and hear submissions on the Intention to Grant a Lease to Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club for their clubrooms on Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park at Tokomaru Bay.

SUMMARY - HE WHAKARĀPOPOTOTANGA

Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club have leased a footprint of land on Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park in Tokomaru Bay since 1981 for the purpose of community clubrooms. The lease expired, with no further right of renewal, on 31 January 2014. Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club requested the granting of a new lease for the Clubrooms with a slightly increased footprint to redevelop an outside area at the rear of the clubrooms into a multi-purpose court for the benefit of rangatahi. The club have secured external funding for this development work from Trust Tairāwhiti.

Council's Operations Committee approved in principle the grant of the lease on 15 September 2022 (**22-201**) [**Attachment 1**]. The intention to grant the lease was notified for public comment pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977.

The submission period closed in mid-December 2022. Fourteen submissions were received, ten in support of the intended grant of the lease and four in opposition, note the opposition submissions are from mana whenua with cultural concerns and wider ownership issues. All submissions received are shown in **Attachment 2**.

Three submitters requested to be heard in support of their submissions. Two have confirmed they will attend the Hearing of submissions on 11 May.

At the hearing submissions will be heard from the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club (the applicant) in support of the intention to grant a lease [**submission 5# attached**], and submission on behalf of Lee and Tiger Whakataka Whanau Trust opposing the proposed grant of the lease [**submission 3# attached**].

Submissions in support of the grant of the lease state that the clubrooms provided by the Tokomaru Bay United Sports club are a valuable community asset, used for a variety of community purposes (including emergency response) and by a variety of community groups. The submission emphasises that the continuation and expansion of the facility is supported and would be of benefit to the general community.

Submissions opposing the grant of the lease focus on the cultural significance and history of the land. It is submitted that land came into Crown ownership via 'dubious means' and 'our tipuna did not willingly give Crown authority over our lands'. It is submitted the land is wahi tapu and should not be disturbed or developed (ko iwi were discovered on the land in 1997) and that Council has no right to "desecrate the whenua and disrespect tipuna and whakapapa".

The decisions or matters in this report are considered to be of **Medium** significance in accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

RECOMMENDATIONS - NGĀ TŪTOHUNGA

That the BYLAW SUBMISSIONS PANEL/KĀHUI TĀPAETANGA TURE Ā-ROHE:

- 1. Receives and hears submissions on the Intention to Grant a Lease to Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club for the clubrooms situated on Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park.**

Authorised by:

Michele Frey - Director Liveable Communities

Keywords: lease, Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club, Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park

BACKGROUND - HE WHAKAMĀRAMA

1. Hatea a Rangi Memorial Park is Recreation Reserve administered by Gisborne District Council under the Reserves Act 1977. Recreation Reserves are managed “for the purpose of providing areas for the recreation and sporting activities and the physical welfare and enjoyment of the public, and for the protection of the natural environment and beauty of the countryside, with emphasis on the retention of open spaces and on outdoor recreational activities, including recreational tracks in the countryside.”
2. Section 54 of The Act guides how administering bodies (i.e., Council) grant leases on Recreation Reserve Land.
3. Leases are required to be notified publicly for 30 days. Submitters may request to be heard in support of their submission by the administering body.
4. Council's Operations Committee approved in principle the grant of the lease on 15 September 2022 (**Report 22-201**). The intention to grant the lease was notified for public comment with submission period closing in mid-December 2022.
5. Fourteen submissions were received, ten in support of the intended grant of the lease and four in opposition.
6. Three submitters requested to be heard in support of their submissions. Two have confirmed they will attend a Hearing.
7. Under the Reserves Act the administering body (i.e., Council) is required to give full consideration to each submission (both written and verbal) before deciding whether to proceed with the proposal.
8. Submissions are to be heard and considered by a Sub-Committee of Council, who will make a recommendation to Council regarding the lease.

Process

Prior to public notification consultation had occurred with Ngāti Porou in the context of the development of the rangatahi zone application for funding to Trust Tairāwhiti. As noted in the Report to Council's Operations Committee in September 2022, the application was endorsed by Rau Tipu Rau Ora which includes representatives from Ngāti Porou.

In January 2023 Council staff specifically invited any additional comment from Ngāti Porou, Ngā Hapū o Tokomaru and Te Whānau a Ruataupare regarding the application for lease. The request was acknowledged by Ngati Porou but no further feedback was received. No feedback was received from Nga Hapu o Tokomaru Akau and Te Whānau a Ruataupare. It is noted Ngā Hapū o Tokomaru submitted as part of the public consultation process.

ASSESSMENT of SIGNIFICANCE - AROTAKENGA o NGĀ HIRANGA

Consideration of consistency with and impact on the Regional Land Transport Plan and its implementation

Overall Process: **Medium** Significance

This Report: **Medium** Significance

Impacts on Council's delivery of its Financial Strategy and Long-Term Plan

Overall Process: **Medium** Significance

This Report: **Medium** Significance

Inconsistency with Council's current strategy and policy

Overall Process: **Medium** Significance

This Report: **Medium** Significance

The effects on all or a large part of the Gisborne district

Overall Process: **Low** Significance

This Report: **Low** Significance

The effects on individuals or specific communities

Overall Process: **High** Significance

This Report: **Medium** Significance

The level or history of public interest in the matter or issue

Overall Process: **Medium** Significance

This Report: **Medium** Significance

9. This report is part of a process to arrive at a decision that will/may be of **Medium** level in accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy
10. Public consultation on the intention to grant a lease indicates a high level of interest from the local community on the outcome of this process.

TANGATA WHENUA/MAORI ENGAGEMENT - TŪTAKITANGA TANGATA WHENUA

11. As noted above, the process of consideration of the lease has sought the views of Tangata Whenua. A formal submission has been received from Ngā Hapū o Tokomaru.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT - TŪTAKITANGA HAPORI

12. In addition to this public notification and submissions process, community and stakeholder engagement was undertaken as part of developing the Tairāwhiti Sports Facilities Business Case (for the development of the multi-purpose court space).
13. The intention to grant a new lease was notified for public comment and submissions received as set out in this report.

CLIMATE CHANGE – Impacts / Implications - NGĀ REREKĒTANGA ĀHUARANGI – ngā whakaaweawe / ngā ritenga

14. There are no climate change implications arising from this report.

CONSIDERATIONS - HEI WHAKAARO

Financial/Budget

15. There are no significant financial implications arising from this report

Legal

16. The application for lease is being considered pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977. The intention to grant the lease was publicly notified pursuant to section 120 of the Reserves Act Rights of objection and of making submissions.
17. Section 120 (1)(c) of the Reserves Act provides 'where the objector or person or organisation making the submission so requests in his or her or its objection or submission, the Minister or administering body, as the case may be, shall give the objector or that person or organisation a reasonable opportunity of appearing before the Commissioner (in the case of a notice given by the Minister) or, as the case may be, before the administering body or a committee thereof or a person nominated by the administering body in support of his or her or its objection or submission'.
18. Section 120(1) (d) requires 'the Minister or the administering body, as the case may be, shall give full consideration to every objection or submission received before deciding to proceed with the proposal'.
19. Submitters' contact details have been redacted from the attachments in accordance with section 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act and section 22 of the Privacy Act 2020.

POLICY and PLANNING IMPLICATIONS - KAUPAPA HERE me ngā RITENGA WHAKAMAHERE

20. This report has no specific planning or policy implications.

RISKS - NGĀ TŪRARU

21. There are no perceived risks from this present report. There are potentially risks associated with the final decision regarding the lease given the submissions received on the proposal to lease.

NEXT STEPS - NGĀ MAHI E WHAI AKE

Date	Action/Milestone	Comments
11 May	Committee considers submissions.	
3 August	Council receives a Deliberation Report and Committee recommendation.	

ATTACHMENTS - NGĀ TĀPIRITANGA

1. Attachment 1 - 22-201 Tokomaru United Sports Club Lease Intention to Grant - Operations Committee 15 September 2022 [23-90.1 - 7 pages]
2. Attachment 2 - REDACTED Full Set of Submissions [23-90.2 - 24 pages]

10.2. DECISION Reports Communities



22-201

Title: 22-201 Tokomaru United Sports Club Lease
Section: Community Assets & Resources
Prepared by: Abbe Banks - Community Facilities Partnerships Advisor
Meeting Date: Thursday 15 September 2022

Legal: Yes

Financial: No

Significance: **Low**

Report to OPERATIONS Committee for decision

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to request the decision of the Committee to grant a new lease to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club for the clubrooms situated on Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park.

The decision required will enable the Club to pursue a project to transform an area at the back of the clubrooms from an outdoor patron's area into a dynamic rangatahi-focused area.

SUMMARY

Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club leased a footprint of land on Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park in 1997 for the purpose of rebuilding community clubrooms.

The lease for Hatea-a-Rangi Reserve expired – with no further right of renewal – on 31 January 2014.

The Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club wish to request the granting of a new lease of the Clubrooms with a slightly increased footprint to redevelop an outside area at the rear of the clubrooms into a rangatahi area which previously served as an outdoor patron's area for adults.

This rangatahi area is an 'early win' project within the Community Facilities business case, developed by Council, Trust Tairāwhiti and Sport Gisborne Tairāwhiti.

The proposed lease term is the maximum allowed within the Reserves Act – eleven years, with two eleven-year rights of renewal.

The decisions or matters in this report are considered to be of **Low** significance in accordance with the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Operations Committee:

1. Approves notification of its intent to lease a portion of Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park, as required under section 54 of the Reserves Act 1977 to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club, for the purpose of community clubrooms and rangatahi zone.

Authorised by:

Michele Frey - Director Liveable Communities

Keywords: tokomaru united sports club lease, lease agreement, hatea-a-rangi memorial park, rangatahi, reserves act community facilities business case, trust Tairawhiti, sport Gisborne tairawhiti

BACKGROUND

1. In 1981 the Crown and the Tokomaru Bay United Football Club entered leasing arrangements over a portion of land on the reserve for the purpose of establishing clubroom facilities. In 1989 all administering powers to the reserve were passed from the Crown to the Gisborne District Council. The original leasing arrangements between the Crown and the Tokomaru Bay United Football Club covered the maximum term allowed by the Reserves Act 1977 (a period of 33 years).
2. In 1997 the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club, as it was then known, commenced the building of Clubrooms on the reserve.
3. The lease for the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Clubrooms expired on 31 January 2014 with no further right of renewals.
4. As a part of the 'early wins' projects outlined in the Tairāwhiti Sports Facilities Business Case, the development of a rangatahi zone at Hatea-a-Rangi Clubrooms was earmarked for investment. Trust Tairāwhiti has allocated a funding envelope of up to \$15m towards the early win's projects, indicating an intent to invest in the rangatahi zone in principle.
5. Tokomaru Bay has limited sporting facilities and can benefit from targeted upgrades to ensure fit-for-purpose and multi-purpose community facilities. The proposed changes to the clubrooms include adding a multi-purpose court behind the existing clubrooms for use by local rangatahi and the community. The area has traditionally been a beer garden-style outdoor space that is now used by a limited number of smokers, and it is in poor condition. The intention is to provide a rangatahi-focused space as an alternative to the existing indoor spaces within the clubhouse.

DISCUSSION and OPTIONS

6. Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club request a renewed lease of the clubrooms with an increased footprint to redevelop an outside area at the rear of the clubrooms into a rangatahi-focused area that previously served as a smoking area for adults.
7. The proposed site for the lease and new development is within the Hatea-a-Rangi Reserve.



8. The Club have the desire to extend the area to close to the rear boundary line to enable the installation of an indoor multipurpose court where Rangatahi and community members can play basketball, netball, tennis and squash. Noting that there are no other court facilities in the community that would serve this purpose.
9. Extension of the leased footprint from the previous lease allows the proposed capital upgrade to convert the current smokers' area and the adjacent land to a community multi-purpose court facility.
10. The value of court facilities would enhance the activation of the space and allow youth to participate in active recreation during and after sports matches at the reserve.
11. Hatea-a-Rangi reserve has noteworthy recreational and wellbeing value as it is the only sports ground in Tokomaru Bay.
12. The Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club serves as a community hub, closely intertwined in the town's social fabric.
13. Renewal of the lease ensures the continuation of the Club, and provision of a facility for community events and gatherings.
14. A necessary precursor to development of a facility on a recreation reserve is the granting of a lease.
15. The proposed term is the maximum allowed within the Reserves Act – eleven years, with two eleven-year right of renewals. The land use would also be bound by the Act.
16. The Reserves Act requires that a new lease be publicly notified for 30 days.
17. The lease would be granted under Section 54 (1) (b) and (d) of the Reserves Act 1977, subject to prior public notification under Sec 54 (2) of the Act.
18. Should the Committee approve, Council will notify its intent to grant a lease to the club. The nature of feedback from the community will inform how Council progresses:

No quantifiable objection from community	Lease granted to club
Minor community objection	Feedback assessed and, where justified, reflected in the lease terms proposed to the club.
Significant objection from community	Feedback summarised and brought back for Committee consideration.

Options

Option	Advantages	Disadvantages
Council notifies its intent to grant a lease for a slightly larger footprint than previously (preferred) .	Club can continue to occupy site. Enables club to progress the rangatahi zone capital project. In alignment with the Community Facilities Strategy Business Case.	Small increase in footprint of buildings.
Council notifies its intent to grant a lease for the original site only.	Club can continue to occupy site. No reduction in open space.	Delays or prevents rangatahi zone development.
Council does not approve notification of intent to grant a lease.		Sports Club would no longer have rights to the exclusive use of the site. Discontinuation of the facility would have a significant, negative wellbeing impact.

ASSESSMENT of SIGNIFICANCE

Consideration of consistency with and impact on the Regional Land Transport Plan and its implementation

This Report: Low Significance

Impacts on Council's delivery of its Financial Strategy and Long Term Plan

This Report: Low Significance

Inconsistency with Council's current strategy and policy

This Report: Low Significance

The effects on all or a large part of the Gisborne district

This Report: Low Significance

The effects on individuals or specific communities

This Report: Low Significance

The level or history of public interest in the matter or issue

This Report: Low Significance

19. The decisions or matters in this report are considered to be of **Low** significance in accordance with Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

TANGATA WHENUA/MĀORI ENGAGEMENT

20. Community and stakeholder engagement was a critical component of developing the Tairāwhiti Sports facilities business case. This business case outlines the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club's project to develop a rangatahi area at the rear of the clubrooms. The business case received endorsement from the Rau Tipu Rau Ora Governance Group, which includes representatives of Te Runanganui O Ngāti Porou.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

21. This report recommends that Council publicly notifies its intent to lease, and considers any objections received before finalising a decision. If significant objection is received, this would be brought back to Council for consideration.
22. Community and stakeholder engagement was a critical component of developing the Tairāwhiti Sports facilities business case. This business case outlines the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club's project to develop a rangatahi area at the rear of the clubrooms.
23. Locally-led community consultation identified the need for multi-purpose court space.

CLIMATE CHANGE – Impacts / Implications

24. As a community, Tokomaru Bay is facing significant adaptation challenges due to climate change, noting recent and worsening weather events.
25. The current location of the Clubrooms sits on an elevated site and has not been subject to major surface flooding in the recent weather events.

CONSIDERATIONS

Financial/Budget

26. The lease fee for the clubrooms will align with Council's rental calculator for community occupancy.

Legal

27. The granting of a land-only lease for the proposed facility is permissible under the Reserves Act 1977. It is however required that this be publicly notified for 30 days.

POLICY and PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

28. Granting of the lease and the redevelopment of the clubroom's outdoor smoking area is consistent with several plans and strategies, including:
 - Gisborne District Council's Sports Park Management Plan
 - Gisborne District Council's Community Facilities Strategy – Investment principles
 - Community Facilities Business Case
 - Tairāwhiti Rau Tipu Rau Ora Recovery Plan.

RISKS

29. There are no significant risks associated with the decisions in this report.

NEXT STEPS

Date	Action/Milestone	Comments
Mid-September	Prepare Draft Lease	For review during public notification process
Late September	Notify Council's intent to grant a lease.	This will be publicly notified for 30 days.
Late October	Grant a lease to Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club	Pending public feedback. If significant objection is received, this would be brought back to Council.

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5/12/2022

Kia Ora Chris,

I am writing to express my concern that Hatea- a- Rangi Park is being advertised for lease to Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club. Mana Whenua have been documented expressing their concern and disapproval at how the Government and Council continue to lease our land without our approval as a whanau and hapu. This repetitive behaviour is a direct intention from the council and government to continue to keep us alienated from our ancestral lands. As we would never sell our land. I object as the granddaughter of Hinerangi Whakataka - Brightwell for the council to continue to lease our land. My late grandmother is a land owner in Tokomaru bay. Before she died she told me to continue to make movements for the return of her land from perpetual leases. To date the government still has not returned mana motuhake for her land for her descendants to have authority over. Hatea - a - Rangi is wahi tapu, it is sacred land because of the koiwi (human bones) that still remain in this area. Mr Taikaha Whakataka protested extensions on this wahi tapu 20 years ago and erected a Pou carved by Matahi Whakataka - Brightwell. This represents our objection to plans by the council. It is evident that Gisborne District council have ignored mana whenua. This is extremely disappointing and needs to be rectified immediately.

Please find attached photos of our recent protest in Tokomaru Bay, to end perpetual leases that affect our Whakataka whanau.

Tokomaru Bay Protest:
End perpetual leases



Abolish Perpetual leasing



Support from GDC representative

Meredith Akuhata.

Keita Brightwell - Hauiti on the left, Tracey Whakataka on the right.

Please note my objection to this proposal of further leasing of Hatea - te
- Rangi Park.

Heoi Ano

Keita Brightwell - Hauiti

B.F.A/ Dip Tch/ CPS Dip

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Chris Visser

From: Tina Ratana >
Sent: Thursday, 24 November 2022 9:38 am
To: Chris Visser
Subject: Submission opposing the lease of Hatea-A Rangi

Importance: High

Tena Koe Chris

I am writing formally to oppose the grant of lease and further development of Hatea-a – Rangi Park. The basis of my objection is in two parts.

Firstly, this area is Waihi Tapu, the site of an ancient battle. The council is aware of this and yet continues to allow developments to occur on this whenua. Around 20 years ago the clubrooms was again given consent for a 'little extension' even though original owners opposed resulting in the unearthing of kō iwi and the consequences thereof.

Secondly the taking of this whenua initially was by dubious means. Although over time the owners agreed to 'gift' the whenua for the purpose of recreation it was conditional on a co-governance structure. My request for the minutes of the co-governance committee was to draw your attention to the fact that such a committee 'should' be operating and it is only through them that such an application be made. It is clearly obvious that is not the case and this needs to be rectified.

If you require any further information, please contact me.

Tina Olsen-Ratana
 Descendant of one of the original owners.

From: Chris Visser [mailto:Chris.Visser@gdc.govt.nz]
Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2022 10:49 AM
To: Tina Ratana
Subject: RE: Intention to Grant a lease Hatea a-rangi memorial park

Kia Ora Tina,
 Apologies for delay in response. I had thought this was responded to on Friday. Very sorry.

- The information regarding the lease application is on the GDC website – link below.
- There isn't a format for submissions, an email or letter will be fine
- GDC doesn't hold minutes of the Hatea a-Rangi Committee (sorry I can't assist in this respect!)

<https://www.gdc.govt.nz/council/public-notice/council-notice/intention-to-grant-a-lease>

Nga Mihi

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IN-CONFIDENCE

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TOKOMARU BAY 4047

5 December 2022

To Chris Visser / Gisborne District Council,

RE: INTENTION TO GRANT A LEASE – HATEA-A-RANGI MEMORIAL PARK - OBJECTION

We are descendants of the original whenua owners and are shareholders. As a Whanau Trust, we collectively OBJECT to the intention to grant a lease pertaining to this whenua.

There are two very separate issues contained in the Gisborne Herald Notice published 16 November 2022, and we object to both.

1) The lease proposal for a term of 11 years with two 11 year rights of renewal.

As shareholders and Mana Whenua, we are currently fighting for Mana Motuhake, the return of our whenua and calling for all perpetual leases in Tokomaru Bay to be abolished.

For over 100 years, we have not only lost the use of our whenua, but we have lost the right to say what happens with our whenua. We have unjustly been alienated from our whenua, including the whenua known as Hatea-a-Rangi Domain.

There is evidence to show, that our tipuna and ourselves have said NO to the taking of our whenua, and our voices have never been heard.

Our tipuna did not willingly give the Crown authority over our lands, and although 'gifting' of the whenua was agreed to, that it was done so by our tipuna with conditions to which our tipuna would remain kaitiaki

Over the many years that our tipuna have been fighting this fight, legislative goal posts have been moved, to suit the settlers and the Government and these acts of suppression need to stop.

2) The club can make changes to the clubroom including adding a multi-purpose court for community use.

Gisborne District Council is fully aware of what lies beneath the clubrooms, as the 1997 extensions of the clubrooms were objected to by our father Maukino Taikaha Whakataka and our whanau.

We know that this whenua was a battle ground and our fallen warriors, friend or foe, lie beneath.

We know that in 1997, when the clubroom extensions were done, that ko iwi were unearthed, taken and buried in a shallow unmarked spot in the urupa at Tuatini Marae.

We know that the Gisborne District Council, Te Runanga o Ngati Porou and Heritage New Zealand (formally the Historic Places Trust of New Zealand) either did not support our application, did not want to set a precedent, did not support the significance of the whenua or classify the whenua as a wahi tapu.

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IN-CONFIDENCE

Gisborne District Council have no right to desecrate our whenua and disrespect our tipuna, our whakapapa, in the way that you do.

We would like to present our objection at a hearing.

Regards



Tracey Takarua

Responsible Trustee (on behalf of)

Lee and Tiger Whakataka Whanau Trust, its Trustees and whanau



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Rob MacKenzie
Chairman
Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club
PO Box 120
Tokomaru Bay 4079

8th December 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal and Submission.

Please accept this letter of support for the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club's Lease Renewal and Submission.

The Gisborne Volunteer Centre has used the Sports Club's for various community workshops throughout the year. We have been welcomed and have felt comfortable using the space, finding the location and atmosphere suited to our needs.

We wish the Sports Club success in securing the lease for this valuable community asset and look forward to using it for future workshops to enrich community knowledge in the volunteering sector.

Nāku, nā

Jennifer Greaves
Manager

A connected community enriched through volunteering.

Me mahi tahi tātou mo te oranga o te katoa - We must work together for the wellbeing of all

CC27533

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Rob MacKenzie
Chairman
Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club
PO Box 120
Tokomaru Bay 4079

7th December 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal and Submission.

On behalf of Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club please accept this letter as our submission of support.

Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club is a Community Building and Hub utilised by the Community and external organisations for Community Engagement Hui, Training.

The 'Sports' club employees 2.7 FTE employees and also employs other residents on a casual basis.

The Sports Club is also the hub and base for:

1. Akau Warriors Covid-19 Manaaki Support Services inclusive of education, storage of covid-19 resources that includes RATs tests, Care Packs and Food Provision; and
2. Akau Warriors Civil Defence and Emergency training and planning and welfare coordination base. The Sports Club serves as a base to receive food, medication and tools for distribution as well as a manaaki space where we offer hot drinks and meals for our volunteers and contractors as well as giving whanau a safe haven during these events. The Sports Club is within walking distance to Tuatini Marae that is utilised to house any whanau that have needed to evacuate their homes.

The Sports Club also acts as a base for the following affiliate Sports Clubs:

1. Tokomaru Bay United Rugby Club
2. Ngati Porou Boardriders Surf Club – Tamariki/Rangatahi focused
3. Awhina Fishing Club, and
4. Tokomaru Bay United Darts and Pool Club
5. Tokomaru Bay RSA
6. Tokomaru Bay JAB – Tamariki focused

The Sports Club were notified in October 2021 after partnering with GDC for East Coast Community Facilities Strategy that Trust Tairawhiti approved quick wins funding to build a dedicated Rangatahi Zone for nga Rangatahi of Tokomaru. We have not been able to progress the funding application due

to the lease being expired and the need to increase our area footprint. It is the Sports Club's wish to extend the area in which the Sports Club leases to enable the rear of the building to be dedicated to Rangatahi o Tokomaru. It is our intent to build an indoor multipurpose court, have a technology suite to enable Rangatahi access to technology and the internet, build a stage for Rangatahi led concerts and events.

It is also our wish to locate 2 containers to the rear of the water tank location, one has been sponsored by Trust Tairawhiti and will be fully kitted out with Surf gear for the use of our affiliate club Ngati Porou Boardriders Surf Club. The surf club has members that travel from Gisborne, Tolaga Bay, Te Puia Springs, Waipiro Bay, Ruatoria and Wharekahika.

The second container will be a custom built meat processing plant with chiller with meat preparation and packing room. This enables our community to be self-resilient and reliant in the event of civil defence emergencies and/or natural disasters and will be also utilised to train tamariki, Rangatahi and whanau whanui how to process meat while achieving NZQA credits, this is a partnership that we have been exploring with Eastern Institute of Technology.

The Sports Club has engaged extensively with our tamariki and Rangatahi of Tokomaru and it is our hope that we will be able to achieve their goals and aspirations by delivering on this Rangatahi Zone Project.

The Sports Club has also been hired for the following events historically;

- Fundraising events for local schools and JAB Rugby Teams
- Fundraising events for Civil Defence Emergency Responses
- Tairawhiti REAP GDL2Mahi Drivers Licencing Courses for residents of Te Puia Springs, Waipiro Bay, Tokomaru Bay and Tolaga Bay
- Gisborne Volunteer Centre Training
- Sport Tairawhiti Engagement and Training
- Gisborne District Council Community Engagement, Consultations and Flood Recovery Hui
- Akau Warriors Manaaki Support Services Whanau Isolation Planning Sessions, How to use RATs sessions and general information sharing events as well as Vaccination events such as Vax to the Max
- Hatea-a-Rangi School for alternative breakout spaces during school celebrations and sporting events that involve visiting schools
- Ruatoria Bio-Science Information Evenings
- Raukumara Pae Maunga Information Evenings
- Financial members birthdays, baby showers and on occasion funeral receptions post burial
- Children's Halloween Parties and Discos
- DIA – Training modules i.e. Strategic Planning, Successful Funding Application Tips
- First Aid Training
- End of year wind ups
- Community Celebrations
- Tokomaru Bay United Rugby Club & Ngati Porou East Coast Rugby After Match Kai and Functions
- Host, cater for and entertain Match Fit TV series retired All Blacks
- Lean on Me – Suicide Prevention Concert
- Canterbury of NZ Apparel – Worlds Toughest Active Wear campaign shoot
- Venue for ANZAC Breakfast after Dawn Ceremony

The Sports Club also has a bar facility that is open 4-5 times per week for Financial Members and their visitors. It is also important to note that we have not experienced any issues with our bar licence renewal or any compliance issues. The committee also works closely with the Tokomaru Bay based Police to deter members from driving under the influence of alcohol.

Although local marae were utilised historically for many of the events listed above Covid-19 has meant that there is 0 – limited availability of marae to hire. Some marae are still closed due to upgrades however as with all marae tikanga, tangihanga takes precedence over any other bookings received.

It is important for our executive committee to highlight through this process that Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club is an important community hub that is utilised during the day and evening to host hui, trainings, a space for our school children to engage, a space for our Rangatahi to learn in terms of succession planning and is the heart of the community during a civil defence emergency and covid-19 community transmission and manaaki support.

The Sports Club serves many purposes for many people and organisations near and far and you will see from the above that many of the events benefit residents of Tokomaru Bay and also neighbouring community residents.

It is with humility that we present this submission to the panel for consideration with the hope of securing a lease for our premises and our community.

We would be interested in presenting this submission in person should we get the opportunity to do so.

Hāku piri ki:



Rob MacKenzie
Chairperson

Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Inc.

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Harry McClutchie
Founder/Director
Ngati Porou Boardriders Club



Tokomaru Bay 4079

Monday 5th December, 2022

To whom it may concern

Re: Support Submission for Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal

On behalf of Ngati Porou Boardriders Club please accept this letter as a letter of support for Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal.

Ngati Porou Boardriders Club is a Surf Club that umbrella's tamariki and rangatahi of Tokomaru Bay, Uawa, Te Puia Springs, Waipiro Bay, Ruatoria and Wharekahika.

Ngati Porou Boardriders is a financial affiliate club of Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club.

Our Club utilises the club for coach and tamariki/Rangatahi training when the weather doesn't allow us to use the sea.

Our tamariki/Rangatahi and their whanau appreciate being umbrella'd by the Sports Club as this enables us to have a base for our members to utilise.

Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club is a valued community hub enabling members and organisations of our communities and neighbouring communities and organisations to use to benefit the oranga of our whanau and hapu.

The facility is used for educational purposes, celebrations, fundraising for community groups and schools and a meeting/planning venue for our club also.

GDC has recently approved a consent for a surf container that was sponsored by Trust Tairawhiti and Gisborne Boardriders to be located at the rear of our building for the use of our members and whanau whanui.

Should you have any queries about this letter of support please do not hesitate to phone me on

Regards

Harry McClutchie
Founder/President
Ngati Porou Boardriders Club

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14.12.2022

Awhina Fishing Club,
Postal Agency
TOKOMARU BAY.

Gisborne District Council. Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal
chris.visser@gdc.govt.nz
Tena koe Chris,

The Awhina Fishing Club is submitting this letter in support, for the applicant, stated above. For
The following : Part Section 11 Block VIII Tuatini MAORI TNSP / Part Section 1 Block X Tuatini MAORI
TNSP.

The Awhina Fishing Club, has utilised this premises to hold Fishing Competitions, recently due to
Covid and Lockdowns, we have not been able to, but hope to in the future.

Our main focus to utilising the Clubrooms was purely a safety issue, as it was off the main road, and
Plenty of room. We erected a Boom, which is located outside of the Clubrooms where fish are
Weighed etc. It is vital to have the use of this for our future competitions.

For many years this establishment has been the hub, for a vast amount of groups that require a
premise.

Listed below to name just a few that come to mind.

- Hui – Numerous
- Civil Defence Emergency – This is used as the Base. (For any emergency)
- Fundraising events for our Community
- Private Functions – Birthdays / Prizegivings
- Covid Response Venue
- Awhina Fishing Club Base (Community Club)
- Tokomaru Bay United Rugby Club

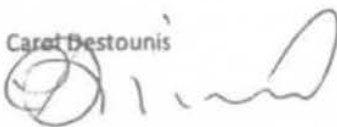
This establishment is vital to the number of different entities, also yourselves, as I am sure you will
be aware Gisborne District Council also use this venue to host hui, on numerous occasions.

These are groups who require the kitchen facilities, Rest Rooms, and space of which our Club can provide.

The continuation of this lease, is very important to not only our Fishing Members, but to the wider community outside of Tokomaru, who also utilise the Building.

I do not formally want to present my submission.

Nga mihi

Carol Destounis


Awhina Fishing Club.

Club Member (TUSC)

Resident.

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Akau Warriors Manaaki Covid Support & Civil Defence Response Roopu
C/o Lillian Ward

Tokomaru Bay 4079

Monday 12th December 2022

Dear Chris Visser,

Re: Intention to Grant a Lease – Hatea-a-Rangi Domain – Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club

Please accept this letter as a submission to support TBUSC securing the proposed lease for a term of 11 years with two 11-year rights of renewal.

Akau Warriors Manaaki Covid Support was created to respond to the 2020 Covid-19 Lockdowns. AWM for the first 2 years of Covid lockdown was a voluntary roopu of hapu and non-hapu members that supported Police Checkpoints and the receipt and distribution of food to tautoko whanau during the initial lockdown period.

In September 2021 Akau Warriors, (umbrella'd by Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club) joined the Hamo-te-Rangi Hapu lead collective to formulated and implement face to face strategies that assisted whanau to:

- Provide education sessions for whanau to assist whanau to plan for covid-19 community spread by completing a Whanau Covid-19 Isolation Plan
- Provide and facilitate RATs test education sessions
- Utilise the Sports Club as its base to provide information and education sessions as well as store all Covid-19 donated Iwi Kai boxes, hygiene packs and frozen meals for the distribution to whanau who need to isolated
- Covid-19 vaccination events such as Vax to the Max and other pop up vaccination events

In June 2021 Tokomaru Bay experienced severe flooding that affected residents within Tokomaru Bay. Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club was then utilised for the Akau Warriors Civil Defence Response and in March and April 2022 the community was hit again with floods and the Sports Club was utilised again as the Civil Defence base for Tokomaru Bay.

The use of the Sports Club enabled our volunteer Akau Warrior Civil Defence Response roopu to:

- Provide a venue for whanau and volunteers to come and volunteer their time to respond to areas of work that needed to be done after each weather event
- It is a base for our volunteers and contractors to come for hot drinks and hot meals
- We plan, discuss and deploy support to local residents and our two schools
- The Sports Club is in walking distance to one of two marae that is used for evacuation of residents purposes
- Food and medical supplies were received at the Sports Club then distributed to not only the community of Tokomaru Bay but also Anaura Bay, Te Puia Springs, Waipiro Bay and Whareponga
- The Sports Club is utilised for all Civil Defence Planning training facilitated by the Tairāwhiti Civil Defence Emergency Management team from Gisborne District Council
- A changing room has been set aside to house community clean up resources such as wheel barrows, spades, rakes, generators, a heavy duty water blaster, fluoro clothing

and safety gloves, disinfectant, buckets, cleaning clothes etc. to assist in the clean-up post flood events.

In providing this submission it is important to highlight that the Sports Club is a community hub. We are a resilient community and the Sports Club enables us to be able to respond in a timely manner without having to book the facility, we are very lucky that during a severe weather event that the Sports Club governance and financial members support the use of the Sports Club to respond to each communities needs.

It is utilised by many external organisations for training, education and consultation purposes. The Sports Club not only services the community of Tokomaru Bay but many residents in neighbouring rural townships therefore it is important to maintain the facility for the health and wellbeing of nga whanau whanui o Ngati Porou.

During the March 2022 Civil Defence Emergency Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club's Akau Warrior Covid-19 Manaaki roopu secured a contract from the Ministry of Social Development to employ Community Connectors, these connectors are now employed by the Sports Club to provide Covid-19 manaaki support so we have been able to employ 1.5 FTE equivalent to provide Covid-19 manaaki support not just to the community of Tokomaru Bay but also residents of Te Puia Springs and Waipira Bay. The Sports Club is the base for all of our Covid-19 manaaki resources for whanau of Tokomaru Bay, Te Puia Springs and Waipira Bay.

Historically nga marae would have been utilised to respond to the needs of whanau and hapu members however Covid-19 and funds available through the Provincial Growth Fund marae are either being upgraded or they are closed and it is also important to highlight that marae are relied heavily upon to accommodate large groups of whanau and manuhiri that attend whanau celebrations, tangihanga and unveilings.

Unfortunately I am not available to provide a verbal submission on behalf of Akau Warriors Manaaki and Civil Defence Response Roopu but trust that this written submission highlights the importance that the Sports Club has to the community of Tokomaru Bay and neighbouring rural communities.

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Lillian Ward
Akau Warriors Manaaki and Civil Defence Overseer
c/o Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club
Tokomaru Bay

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TOKOMARU BAY 4047

15 December 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal and Submission

On behalf of Te Ataarangi ki Tokomaru Inc Society please accept this letter of support to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal and Submission

The Sports Club provides an alternative safe registered facility to accommodate organisations like Te Ataarangi ki Tokomaru to host and cater for local and external students and their family members who attend total immersion te reo Māori seminars. Our organisation has provided a range of total immersion te reo Māori classes and seminars for our Communities over the past years. Te reo Māori is often used in prayer, speeches and song at functions hosted by the Sports Club and equally the same when local and external organisations use the Club facility.

The Club has been a special part of our Community for many years and has a long history of sporting greats and providing support to community groups and community events.

We express our gratitude to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club for being wonderful kaitiaki(Guardians) of the premises and surrounding areas and submit this letter of support to the panel.

We look forward to a favourable response for the renewal of lease to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club.

Nāku nā



Kura Tihore
Kaituhi
Te Ataarangi ki Tokomaru Inc Society

c.c. Rhonda Tibble
Māori Ward Councillor
Te Kaunihera o Te Tairāwhiti

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TOKOMARU BAY 4047

15 December 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Renewal of Lease and Submission

On behalf of the children of the late Erahia Duke Matahiki and the late Mihi Matekai Matahiki, I respectfully submit this letter to support the renewal of lease for the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club.

Our father was one of the original members who established the Sports Club in the 60's for gatherings of the community including sportspeople, their families, and friends in a Skyline Garage. We have progressed immensely through their efforts and continue to work tirelessly to retain, to maintain and uphold the foundation they created for our generation and future generations. Our mother is fondly remembered as an avid supporter on the sideline of the rugby field and her manaakitanga (the way she cared for everyone).

Every year the founding members are honoured and remembered by the Tokomaru Bay United Rugby Team for their contributions through the presentation of trophies. The trophies are displayed in the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club.

I submit this letter of support to the committee and look forward to a favourable response for the renewal of lease to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club.

Nāku noa
nā



Arihia Matahiki

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TOKOMARU BAY 4047

14 December 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Renewal of Lease and Submission

On behalf of the Tokomaru Bay Returned Services Association please accept this letter of support for the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Renewal of Lease and Submission.

The Sports Club has always been a special breakfast venue for our Association to host our servicemen, service women, their families, and friends after the ANZAC dawn service to commemorate our fallen of all the wars.

We express our gratitude to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club, an establishment that has tirelessly upheld the integrity of its purpose to maintain good relationships and sustain a common place of gathering.

It will always be a special part of our Community, built by warriors of Tokomaru Bay, way back in the '60s.

We submit this letter of support to the panel and look forward to a favourable response for the renewal of lease to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club.

*Lest We Forget
Kia maumahara tātou i a rātou*



Eldrick Naden
President

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**HATEA-A-RANGI SCHOOL****PO BOX 41****TOKOMARU BAY 4047****Phone: 06 864 5818.****Email: admin@hatea-a-rangi.school.nz**

Gisborne District Council
8 o Hakihea, 2022

Tena koe e te rangatira,

Re: Letter of Endorsement

Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club has been a very practical venue for our kura to utilise. On behalf of Hatea-a-Rangi School students, staff and whanau I humbly take this opportunity to acknowledge the outstanding support we have received from staff and whanau while we have used this space.

Recently we held a Whakanuia Day so our present day students could celebrate our 150th Jubilee with their friends and whanau from nearby kura. The Sport Tairawhiti nutrition team was able to set up in the clubrooms and use these facilities to host a healthy food workshop for whanau, students and our staff.

During our initial flood recovery clean up in June 2021 and March 2022, the Tokomaru Bay United Clubrooms was a haven for our kaimahi and tradespeople to eat and relax away from the silt and mess on our school site. This venue was ideal for all whanau affected by the floods to find support and to share their challenges or successes.

Our tamariki were very fortunate to work with Gisborne District Council and Trust Tairawhiti to design a Rangatahi Hub and they identified the Tokomaru Bay United Clubrooms as an ideal space for them to meet with friends and family. So our tamariki are heavily invested in this space.

Our students have attended various community workshops at the clubrooms and the most beneficial workshop which comes to mind is the Inter-generational Workshop. Observing our senior students working alongside their pakeke was very interesting and the discussions were very robust.

Many of our students frequent the clubrooms with their whanau outside of school hours also. It is a great venue for whanau to meet and relax. There are a large number of whanau who are founding members of this club and they have worked hard to maintain it for future generations. We support the lease of this space for Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club.

Noho ora mai,

K. Kohatu

Na Karla Kohatu

Hatea-a-Rangi School Principal

Self-managing, lifelong learners who experience high achievement and have high expectations for their future.

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8 November 2022

Tena koe

Re Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal and Submission

Please accept this letter as our support for the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal and Submission

Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club is a Community Building and Hub utilised by the Community and external organisations

The Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club is an important community hub that is utilised during the day and evening to host Hui, and training, a space for our school children to engage, a space for our Rangatahi to learn in terms of succession planning

United Sports Club is the heart of the community during a Civil Defence Emergency and Covid-19 community transmission

The Sports Club serves many purposes for many people and organisations near and far and you will see from the above that many of the events benefit residents of Tokomaru Bay and also neighbouring community residents

We present this list of Signatures of our current club members to support our submission, to the panel for consideration with the hope of securing a lease for our premises and our community

Noho ora mai

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NGA HAPU O TOKOMARU AKAU

*Ko te hononga te timatanga
Ka pumau te hononga ka ahu whakamua
Ma te mahi ngotahi ka angitu te kaupapa*

*Coming together is a beginning
Keeping together is progress
Working together is success*

Nga Hapu o Tokomaru Akau
Tawhiti Street
Tokomaru Akau 4079
E:

16th December 2022

Mr Chris Visser
Principle Community Assets and Partnerships Advisor The Gisborne District Council
15 Fitzherbert Street
PO Box 747
GISBORNE 4010

Re: **22-201 Tokomaru United Sports Club Lease**

Tena Koe Mr Visser'

I am writing to you today regarding the following;

"Council proposes to grant a lease to Tokomaru Bay Sports Club Inc. for an area referred to as Hatea-a-Rangi Memorial Park:

Part Section 11 Block V111 Tuatini Maori Township, Part Section 1 Block X Tuatini Maori Township;

Located on Mangahauini Street Tokomaru Bay, The proposed lease term is for 11 years plus 11 and so forth. The Club also has been granted permission to make changes to the Clubroom including the addition of a multi purpose court for Community use.

I formally disagree to the lease being granted for the following reasons

1. That the whole Domain to us as a Hapu, is Wahi Tapu and has a Sacred 'Pou Whenua Rahui' placed upon it and remains so since 1997. If the Council has this registered under Parks and Reserves, then that is incorrect and needs to consult with their own Maori liaison people for clarity. We are currently working to have this area brought

back into the Tuatini township portfolio and these negotiating pathways are still being actioned with the Crown Agency involved by our Legal Teams.

2. There has been a lack of Hapu consultation on this issue. Nga Hapu O Tokomaru Akau (NHOTA) have been consulting with the GDC over the past 5 to 10 years and more, why then was this issue not discussed face to face pursuant to our relationship.
3. The last lease expired some 8 years ago in 2014 and this should have been brought to our attention when we met this year. This area and others were part of the historical gems put forward during our recent High Court Case through September and October of this year.
4. The Club has a desire to extend the area close to the rear boundary line to enable the installation of an indoor multi purpose court where Rangatahi and community members can play basketball, netball, tennis and squash. Noting that there are no other court facilities in the Community that would serve this purpose and right next door where alcohol is served.
5. Our Rangatahi who will be using these new "multi purpose facilities" during the evenings, will bear witness to the example of some adults under the influence, which has become part of our communal behaviour.
6. As it states in the council minutes 30th September 2022, The Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club serves as a community hub closely intertwined in the township's Social Fabric.

We recommend that this type of facility be moved to another area of the Bay to draw our young away from the stuff that is unsettling our society. Furthermore, when we last met in an open forum, we intimated that we would rather enter into consultation than litigation as in the past. However, as it stands at present, this could once again be one of our preferred options as well as the Waitangi Tribunal if this recent issue is not settled by dialogue.

Therefore I wish to speak further at the hearing regarding the above points I have raised.

Nga Mihi



Roger Tu Lewis Tichborne

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Pakirikiri Marae

Tokomaru Bay, 4079.

16th December, 2022

To :Tena Koutou katoa,

Re: Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Lease Renewal and Submission

On behalf of the Pakirikiri Marae trustees & Whānau we forward a letter of support to the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club Inc. Lease Renewal and Submission.

The Sports Club provides a safe alternative facility to accommodate our local and external whānau hui, sports clubs, community and Te Tairāwhiti organisations to host their events/hui training modules and celebrations.

Firstly I advise Pakirikiri Marae is closed currently(past two years) due to renovations and upgrading of our Marae. However during this time, the Marae trustees and whānau have seen the amazing support the Sports club and members has given our local community throughout the severe weather conditions; flooding, road closures, slips, during Covid-19 pandemic and lockdown.

During the trying times of the above mentioned, the Sports Club became the Civil Defence Headquarters, whanau support space; Akau Warriors hub (*local rangatahi volunteer group that continues today*), drop off centre for food; medical supplies, resources and pick up point for delivery to our pakeke and local community.


Pakirikiri Marae has an alcohol policy that permits alcohol on the premises for Hakari only and this closes at 6pm. Therefore our marae promotes the Sports club as a safe, secure environment to continue with their event/hui after 6pm. We also encourage all whanau the Sports Club is a great safe environment for rangatahi & whanau events.

The Sports Club has been an integral part and place of our local community for many years from the humble beginnings to the current day. There are special memories for whanau of past and present athletes who have represented the Tokomaru Bay United Sports club, Ngati Porou East Coast, other provinces, nationally and at international level.

We acknowledge and appreciate the Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club for the utmost dedication (Kaitiakitanga) they continue to provide to their members and the local community.

We submit our letter of support and look forward to continuing to work with Tokomaru Bay United Sports Club and whānau to support our local community and wish them well with their future aspirations and this submission.

Nāku noa,



Trustee.

nā Pearl Matahiki, "On behalf of Trustees, Pakirikiri Marae"

Cc Rhonda Tibble (Maori Ward GDC)