

HUTT CITY COUNCILPOARI HAPORI O ŌKIWINUI
EASTBOURNE COMMUNITY BOARD

Minutes of a meeting held in the East Harbour Women's Clubrooms, 145 Muritai Road,
Eastbourne on

Tuesday 18 June 2024 commencing at 7:15 pm

PRESENT:

B Moss (Chair)
M Gibbons
Acting Mayor T Lewis

F Vickers
B Spedding

APOLOGIES:

E Keddell

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cr T Stallinger
J Kingsbury, Director Economy and Development
A Nelson, Head of Parks and Reserves
R Lemalu, Project Delivery Manager - Transport
J Randall, Democracy Advisor

PUBLIC BUSINESS**1. OPENING FORMALITIES - KARAKIA TIMATANGA**

Whakataka te hau ki te uru
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga
Kia mākinakina ki uta
Kia mātaratara ki tai
E hī ake ana te atakura
He tio, he huka, he hau hū
Tihei mauri ora.

*Cease the winds from the west
Cease the winds from the south
Let the breeze blow over the land
Let the breeze blow over the ocean
Let the red-tipped dawn come with a sharpened air.
A touch of frost, a promise of a glorious day.*

2. APOLOGIES

RESOLVED: (B Moss/M Gibbons)

Minute No. ECB 24301

"That the apology received from E Keddell be accepted and leave of absence be granted."

Under Standing Order 16.1, the Chair allowed comments from residents on items not on the Order Paper.

Muritai School students Kira, Eleanor, Peira, and Lutzie asked for a pedestrian crossing outside their school on Oroua Street. They said safe access to and from the school was needed for the 370 students. To support the request, they presented letters from students attached as pages 8-13 to the minutes.

In response, the Director Economy and Development advised officers were willing to meet with representatives of Muritai School to discuss the pedestrian crossing request before approving its 2024-25 work programme.

Fiona Hodge, a representative of East Harbour Kindergarten (the kindergarten), requested a pedestrian crossing outside the kindergarten. She said 40 children attended each day along with parents, prams and babies. She noted a pedestrian crossing would link the kindergarten to Bishop Park, the swimming pool, the rocky shore and the beach. She tabled a petition signed by kindergarten whānau to support the request attached as pages 14-16 to the minutes. She asked the Board to advocate for the pedestrian crossing on behalf of the kindergarten.

In response to a question from a member, Fiona Hodge said a pedestrian crossing would help change driving behaviour and make it safer for children and local residents to cross the road. She emphasised the importance of a pedestrian crossing since early childhood centres were not included in recent road safety measures near schools.

In response, the Director, Economy and Development agreed to consider East Harbour Kindergarten's request as part of Council's 2024-25 work programme. However, this would depend on funding decisions made by Waka Kotahi | New Zealand Transport Authority.

In response, the Chair agreed the Board would share the East Harbour Kindergarten pedestrian crossing request on its Facebook page.

Sue Brown, Minister for St Albans Church (the church), advised of activities and classes offered at the church. She mentioned that the church used San Antonio Church due to earthquake-strengthening issues. She also asked for community ideas on additional activities that the church could provide.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments are recorded under the item to which they relate.

4. ACTING MAYOR'S ADDRESS

Acting Mayor Tui Lewis provided an address attached as pages 17-18 to the minutes.

5. PRESENTATIONS

a) **Presentation: Tupua Horo Nuku and bird protection areas update**

Speaking under public comment, **Gordon Parr** asked why a fence had recently been constructed at Whiorau Reserve.

In response, the Chair advised the fence had been constructed for a new bird protection area.

The Project Delivery Manager – Transport and R Hammond, Communications and Engagement Advisor, Te Ara Tupua Alliance, shared an electronic presentation that can be viewed here: [Tupua Horo Nuku – Eastern Bays Shared Path](#).

In response to a question from a member, the Project Delivery Manager – Transport said the Alliance was reconsidering whether Lowry Bay was the best location for beach access steps.

In response to a question from a member, the Director Economy and Development explained that the smaller gaps in the Tupua Horo Nuku concrete barrier helped to safely separate vehicles and pedestrians. He added that these smaller gaps also prevented motorised bikes and scooters from entering and exiting the pathway.

In response to a question from a member, R Hammond agreed to report back on whether planting at Whiorau Reserve would take place on the road or reserve side of the new fence.

b) **Presentation by Local Councillor from Greater Wellington Regional Council**

Cr Quentin Duthie shared an electronic presentation that can be viewed here: [Regional Councillor update](#). He agreed to advise the Board when the consultation on the Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan was open for submissions.

6. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

Murray Gibbons declared a conflict of interest in Item 8: 'Relocation of Historic Police Lock-Up to Public Reserve' and took no part in discussion or voting on the matter.

7. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: (B Moss/B Spedding)

Minute No. ECB 24302

"That the minutes of the meeting of the Eastbourne Community Board held on Tuesday, 16 April 2024, be confirmed as a true and correct record."

8. **RELOCATION OF HISTORIC POLICE LOCK-UP TO PUBLIC RESERVE
(ENTRANCE OF RONA BAY WHARF)**

Report No. ECB2024/3/146 by the Parks Officer - Sportsground

Speaking under public comment, **Dennis Davidson, President of the Historical Society of Eastbourne (the Society)**, advised that the Society supported upgrading and relocating the historic police lock-up to Rona Bay Wharf. He believed the lock-up was integral to Eastbourne's history. He confirmed that the Society would support Murray Gibbons with the upgrade work.

Speaking under public comment, **Brett Gawn** confirmed support for the historic police lock-up upgrade and relocation. He advised that he had been involved with plans, letters, and communications over the past few years to support its relocation.

Murray Gibbons declared a conflict of interest and took no part in discussion or voting on the matter.

The Head of Parks and Reserves elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, the Head of Parks and Reserves advised that Murray Gibbons would manage the design of the historic police lock-up in collaboration with local community people. He said that according to the Reserves Act 1977, a 25-day notice was required before the lease could be issued. He explained that this allowed residents to provide feedback on the proposal. He confirmed that the lease would expire if the lessee passed away, but it could be transferred to another person.

RESOLVED: (B Moss/F Vickers)

Minute No. ECB 24303

"That the Board:

- (1) receives and notes the information;*
- (2) agrees to the proposed lease term of at least 15 years with one right of renewal of 15 years to Mr Murray Gibbons; and*
- (3) agrees the terms and conditions (including rent payable) will be reflective of standard Council terms and conditions as agreed between Council's Head of Parks and Reserves and Mr Murray Gibbons."*

9. **2024 COMMUNITY BOARD CONFERENCE AND KO TĀTOU | LOCAL
GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE**

Memorandum dated 28 May 2024 by the Elected Member Support Coordinator

RESOLVED: (Acting Mayor Lewis/F Vickers)

Minute No. ECB 24304

"That the Board:

- (1) receives and notes the information;*
- (2) notes the 2024 Community Board Conference programme attached as Appendix 1 to the memorandum;*

- (3) *notes the 2024 Ko Tātou | Local Government Conference programme that includes the Te Maruata Hui and the Young Elected Members Hui attached as Appendix 2 to the memorandum; and*
- (4) *nominates Belinda Moss, Bruce Spedding, Murray Gibbons and Emily Keddell to represent the Eastbourne Community Board at the 2024 Community Board Conference in Te Whanganui-a-Tara Wellington from 21-23 August 2024 with registration costs covered by the Community Board's training budget."*

10. **SUBMISSION TO HUTT CITY COUNCIL'S DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN 2024-2034**

Memorandum dated 27 May 2024 by the Democracy Advisor

RESOLVED: (B Moss/F Vickers)

Minute No. ECB 24305

"That the Board:

- (1) *notes that a submission in respect of Hutt City Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2024-34 requires the Board's retrospective endorsement; and*
- (2) *endorses its submission attached as Appendix 1 to the memorandum."*

11. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Report No. ECB2024/3/66 by the Chair, Eastbourne Community Board

RESOLVED: (B Moss/M Gibbons)

Minute No. ECB 24306

"That the report be received and noted."

12. **DEMOCRACY ADVISOR'S REPORT**

Report No. ECB2024/3/67 by the Democracy Advisor

RESOLVED: (B Moss/F Vickers)

Minute No. ECB 24307

"That the Board:

- (1) *receives and notes the report;*
- (2) *agrees that the venue for its meetings for the remainder of the triennium will be the Eastbourne Library, 38 Rimu Street Eastbourne depending on availability;*
- (3) *notes that the new venue will reduce costs and provide internet access for live streaming meetings; and*
- (3) *notes that the commencement times and dates for meetings will remain unchanged."*

13. **REPORT BACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON LOCAL ORGANISATIONS**

Report No. ECB2024/3/68 by the Democracy Advisor

a) **Okiwi Eastbourne - Bays Community Trust**

Murray Gibbons advised that the Okiwi Eastbourne – Bays Community Trust Annual General Manager would occur on 27 June 2024. He said the work of Okiwi volunteer drivers for the elderly was continuing and well organised.

b) **MIRO**

There was no update.

c) **Eastern Bays Climate Response Network**

Bruce Spedding informed that the Climate Change Response Network had recently held an informal meeting and was planning future activities.

d) **Eastbourne Youth Worker Trust**

The Chair read a report from Emily Keddell: as follows:

The Eastbourne Youth Club (the club) typically had 15 attendees per club night. The club was exploring ways to revitalise and increase attendance. Proposed developments on the tennis courts due to the relocation of the bowling club might impact the club.

e) **Eastern Bays Residents' Associations**

The Point Howard Residents' Association provided a written update attached as page 19 to the minutes.

The York Bay Residents' Association thanked Council officers for their solution to the proposed York Bay bus stop closure.

f) **Wellington Region Emergency Management Office**

Bruce Spedding reported that:

- the Eastern Bays Community Resilience Expo review conducted in March 2024 had been completed, and the feedback had been analysed. No unexpected issues were reported in the review.
- work was underway on the Eastbourne NZ website to create an automated fire restriction notification from the Greater Wellington Regional Council website.

14. **QUESTIONS**

There were no questions.

15. **CLOSING FORMALITIES - KARAKIA WHAKAMUTUNGA**

Unuhia!	<i>Release us from the supreme sacredness of our tasks</i>
Unuhia!	<i>To be clear and free</i>
Unuhia i te uru-tapu-nui	<i>in heart, body and soul in our continuing journey</i>
Kia wātea, kia māmā	<i>Oh Rongo, raise these words up high</i>
Te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua i te ara	<i>so that we be cleansed and be free,</i>
takatū	<i>Yes indeed, we are free!</i>
Koia rā e Rongo whakairihia ake ki	<i>Good and peaceful</i>
runga	
Kia wātea, kia wātea!	
Ae rā, kua wātea!	
Hau, pai mārire.	

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.37 pm.

B Moss
CHAIR

CONFIRMED as a true and correct record
Dated this 13th day of August 2024

Tuesday 18 June



Dear Community Board,

Thank you for listening to our presentation this evening.

We would appreciate you supporting our idea for a crossing on Oroua Street.

We need a crossing for our tamariki and our wider community - either a zebra crossing, kea crossing or courtesy crossing. Please find attached pictures of the possible crossings.

Muritai School is central to the Eastbourne community and we are lucky enough to be positioned between the beach and the bush. We have easy walking access to our local beach, swimming pool, playground, parks and library, however safe access to these facilities that are key to our learning programmes would be significantly enhanced by a safe crossing on Oroua Street.

Please find attached a photo of a year 1 class at the location that we think would be the best for the crossing, at approximately 26 Oroua Street.

We also have some fantastic letters from our youngest school members enclosed in our proposal.

During our Enviro Team Meeting some of our members shared these ideas about why we need a crossing.

"Because we have so many school trips around the bays we'd be able to cross the road safely to get there. Also, we have plenty of students who would like to be road patrollers so they could have the responsibility for patrolling the Oroua Street crossing"

"The school and everybody in our community would feel more comfortable if there was a safe way to get to the library, pool, park and of course school."

"For those people who live on this side of the school it would be easier and safer for them to get to their houses after school!"

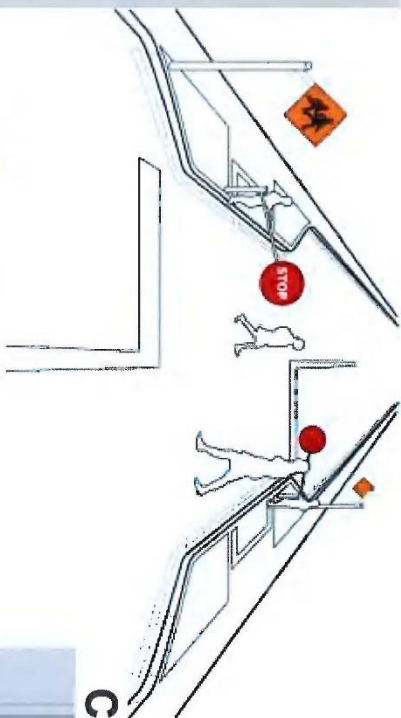
"You won't have to wait for ages as the cars will actually stop for you!!"

Thank you so much for your time, we really hope you will consider supporting our case for a crossing on Oroua Street.

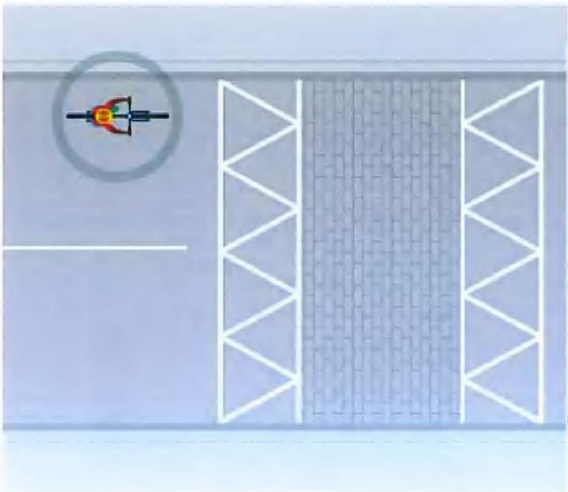
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Kira, Peira, Lutize, and Eleanor

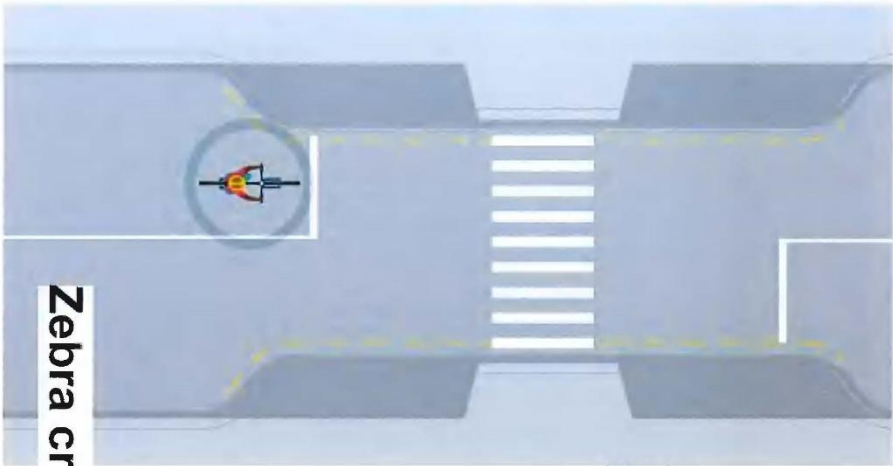
Enviro Team Members Muritai School




Kea crossing



Courtesy crossings



Zebra crossing



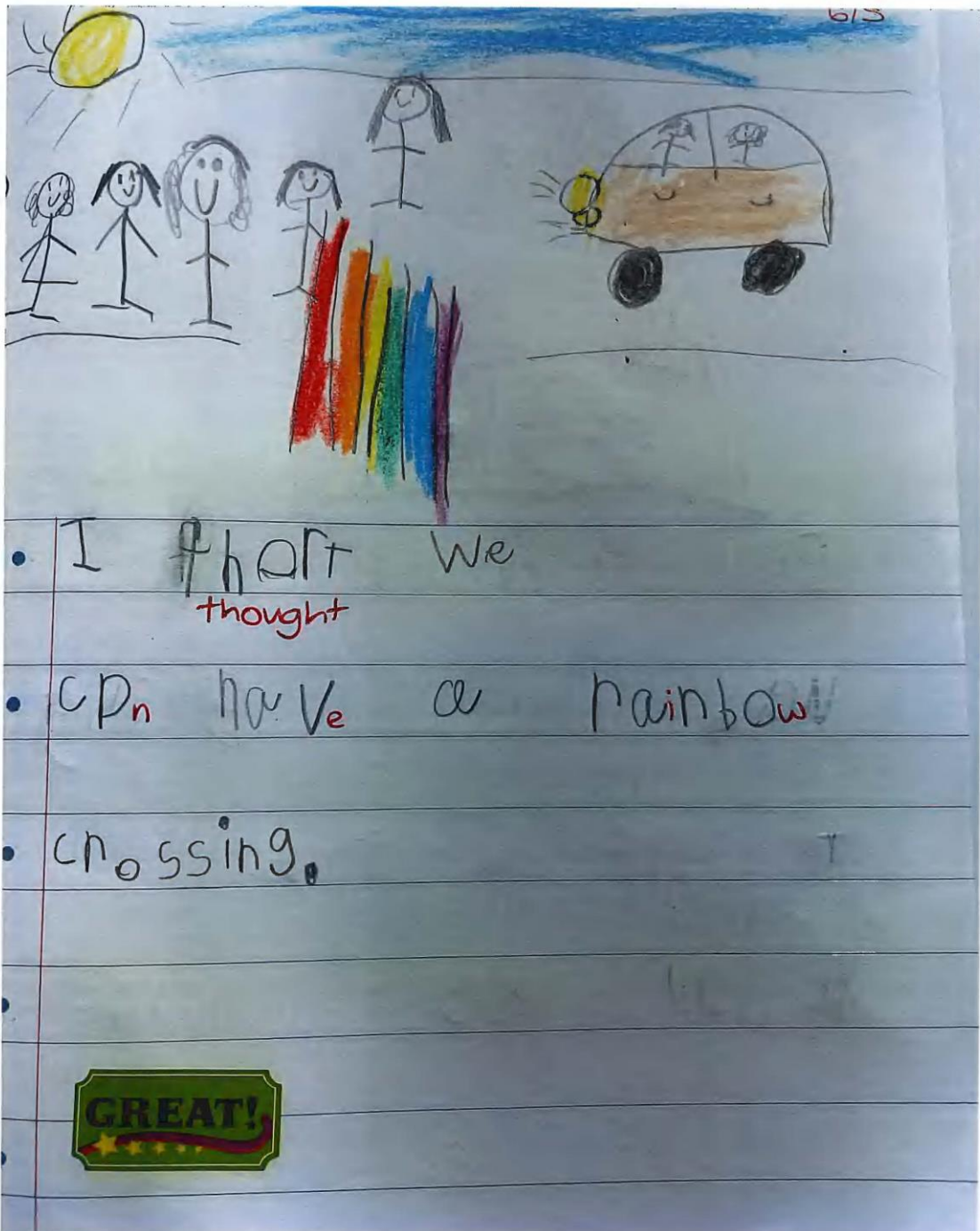
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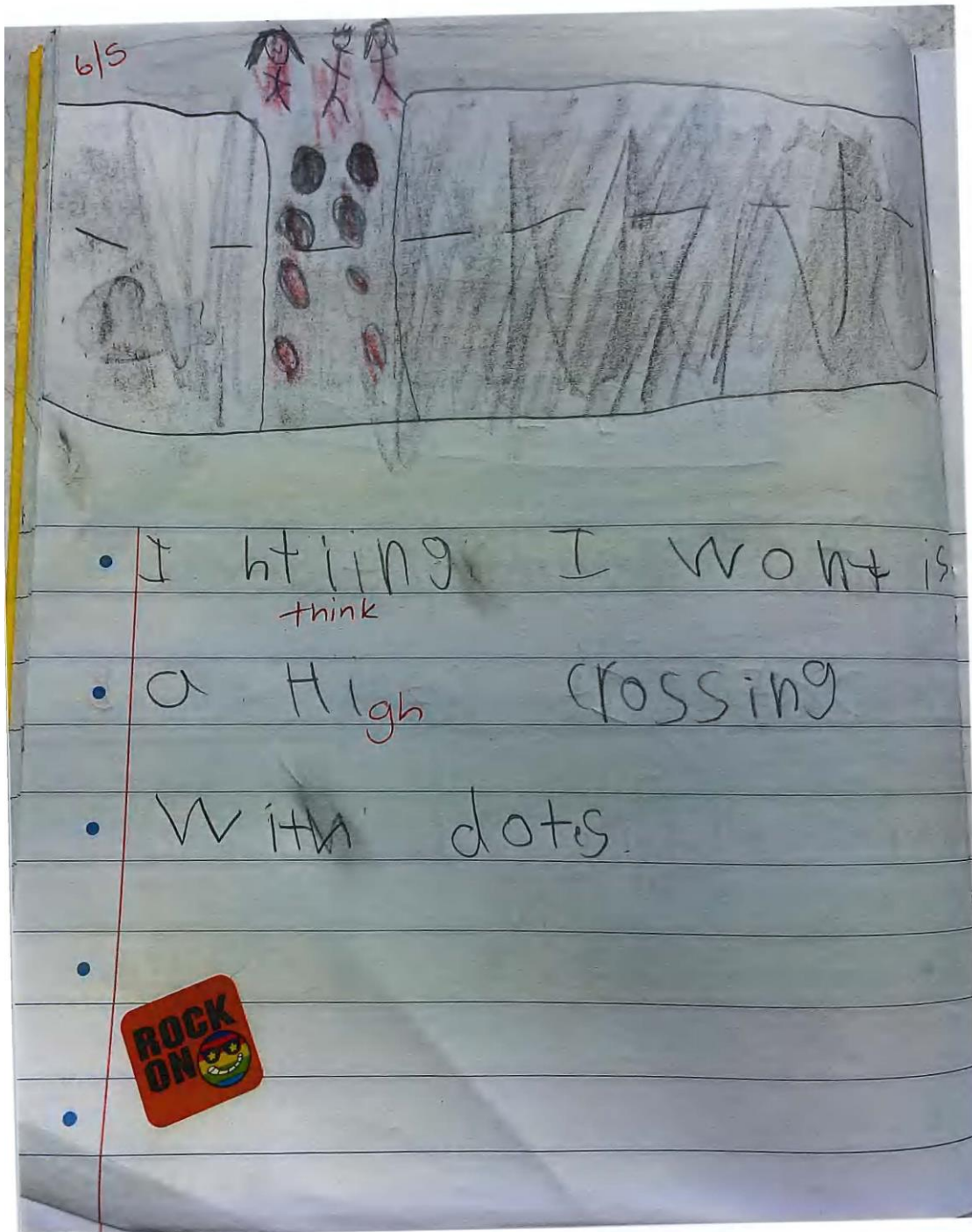
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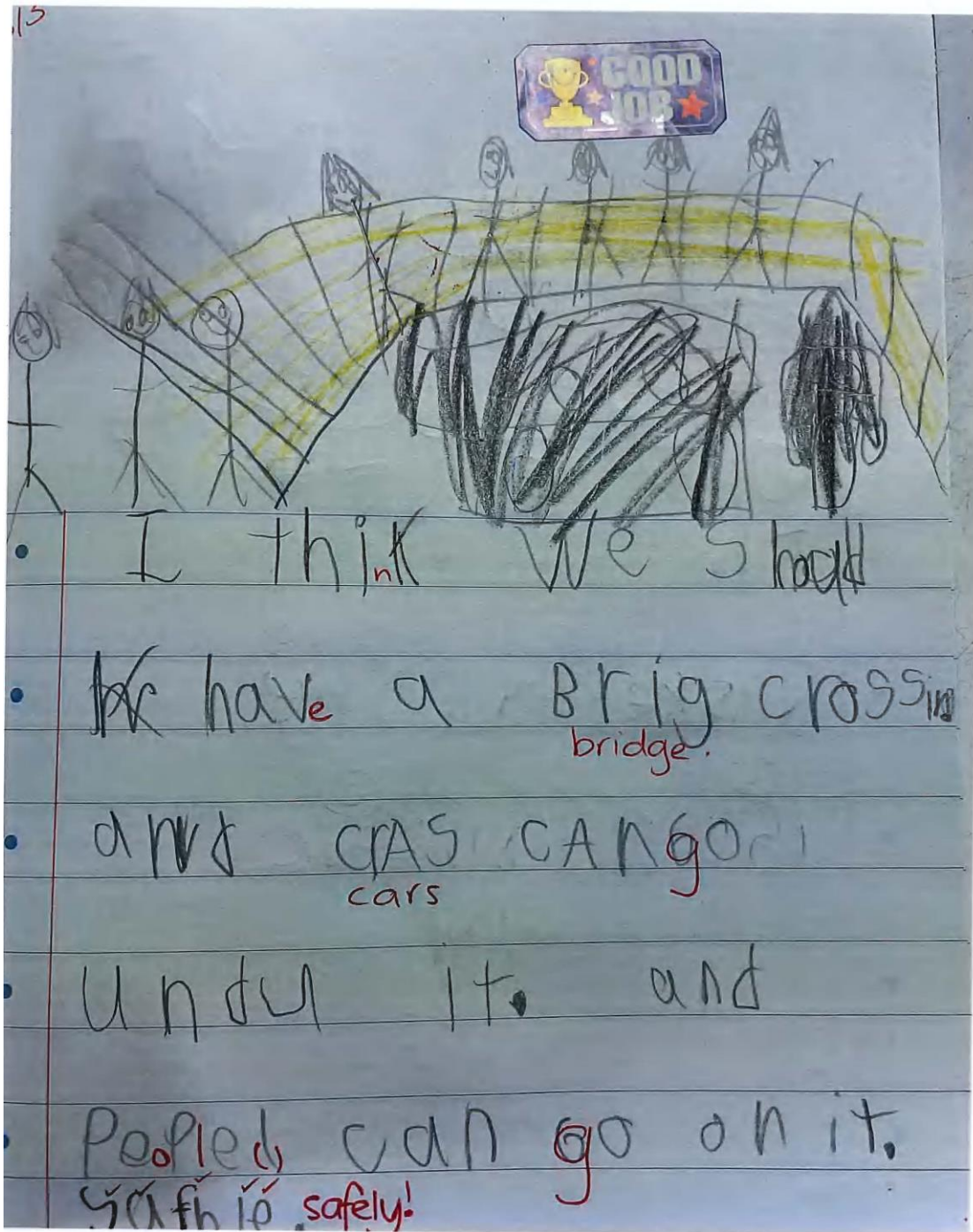
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finger spaces!

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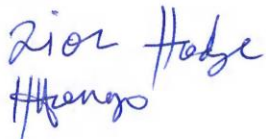


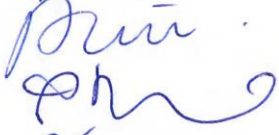






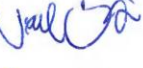




Getting our tamariki to and from kindy can be tricky for a variety of reasons... And getting multiple preschoolers to stay in their walking bus on kindy trips just as tricky if not more.

One reason is Muritai Road, a busy street with no crossing outside kindy.

So we are asking for a raised pedestrian crossing outside East Harbour Kindergarten.

Signed,

Kindy whānau

	Fiona Hodge (Pia's mum)
	Huia Yongo (Zoe's mum)
	Kensee Thompson (Kaiako EHK)
	Victoria O'Lonnor
	Tess Dunford
	Kimberly Andrews (Fern's Mum)
	Hannah Fieldes
	Sam Miskimmin
	Celine Miskimmin
	Megan Cornforth - Carolee
	Jennifer Urids (Ellie's mum)
	Rebecca Bruno (Manglow's Mum)
	Alana Charlton (Thomas's Mum)
	Craig Ryburn
	Emma Lawrie (EHK) Kaiako

Crossing

Sarah Abbott (Emily's mum)

Michal Polaczuk

Jennifer Caughley (Kaiako)

Clio Francis

James Innes

Bartholomew Ludbrook

Melissa Broadley

Abbie Spicer

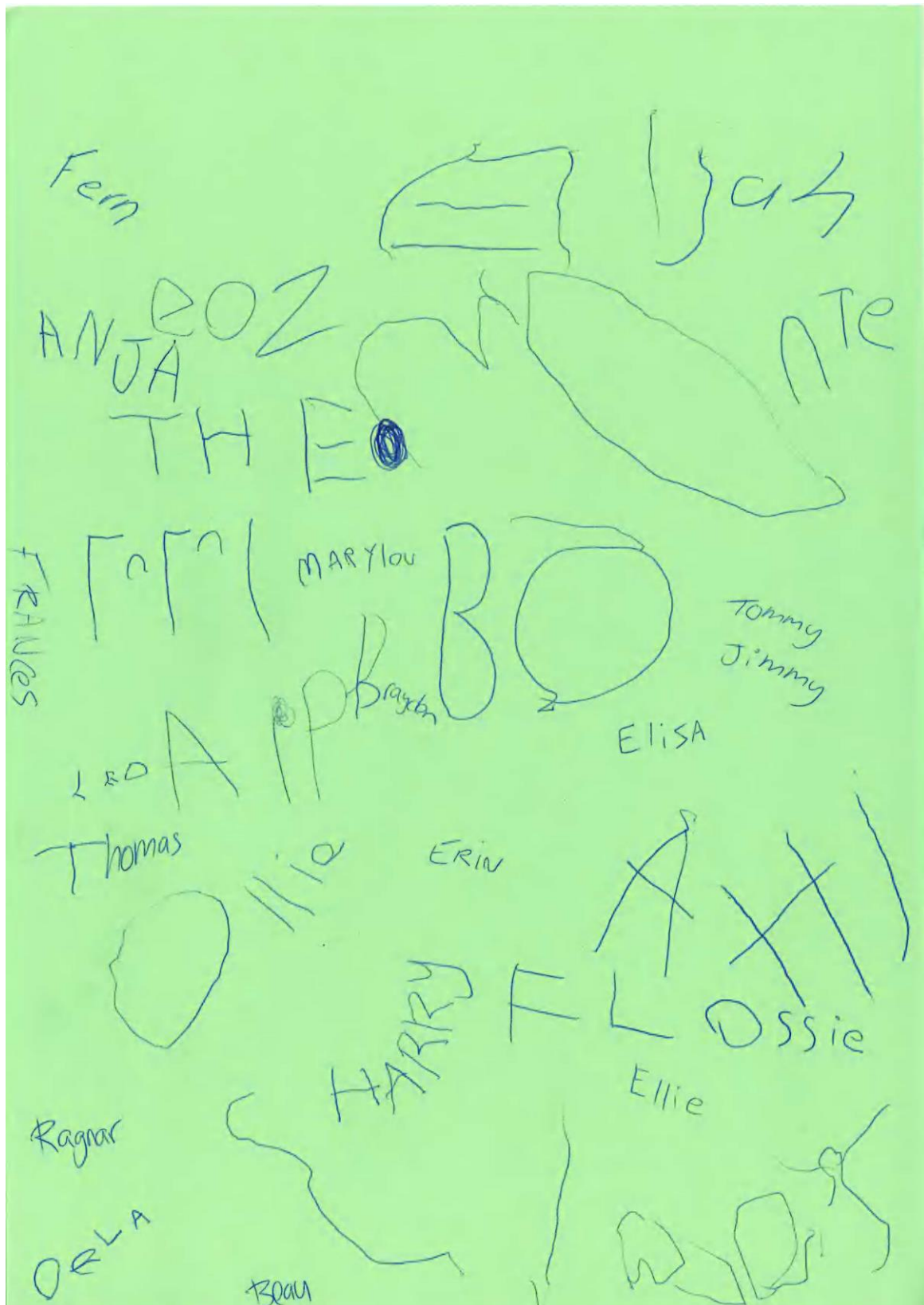
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Mayoral Address (Acting Mayor Tui Lewis)

Kia ora koutou

10 Year Plan

In May, we completed our consultation and public submission process on our 10 Year Plan.

I'd like to acknowledge our community for taking the time to make their voices heard. We received a total of 1770 submissions on the 10 Year Plan – much greater than numbers received for previous Long Term Plan and Annual Plan consultation. This shows that our city cares for its future.

Next week the final ten year plan will be put to Council for sign off - this feels like a considerable milestone. I would like to thank officers, fellow councillors and community board members for their contributions to the 10 year plan.

Water investment and crackdown on leaks

You will be aware that water infrastructure continues to rank high on Council's priority list. Over the next ten years Council is investing \$1.5bn into our water infrastructure.

We have included additional funding in our 10 Year Plan so that Wellington Water can eliminate the current backlog of leaks in Lower Hutt by the end of the year.

Before this crackdown, Lower Hutt had 839 leaks. We now are down to 319 leaks. We need to get down to around 100 leaks, which allows Wellington Water to be able to respond to lower level leaks within the 20 day target.

In the Bays, another 16 leaks have been repaired in the last week. And from May to now, over a period of 7 weeks, 46 leaks have been repaired in the ECB rohe.

While fixing leaks alone isn't going to solve our water issues, we need to be doing everything we can to avoid an acute water shortage in the short term.

Eastbourne:

I'd like to quickly acknowledge the continued work on Tupua Horo Nuku, which you will hear more about tonight. The shared pathway is looking fantastic and it's great to see it being used by our community.

Meanwhile the Mayor launched Mouri Tupu at East Harbour Kindergarten last month. Mouri Tupu is a community campaign to plant 114,000 native trees and plants and inspire citizens to get out planting and help reach the target.

To date more than 30,000 natives have been planted across Lower Hutt since October 2022, by Hutt City Council, Greater Wellington and other partners, and community organisations.

And finally, Council and the Eastbourne Community Board continue to explore a potential volunteer programme around the Eastbourne Pool – watch this space!

The works on Williams Park have been completed and it will be officially opened soon. The improvements have made this into an inviting and enjoyable park that is safe for pedestrians, while also connecting back to the land.

Recently, the Mayor hosted the Eastbourne Possum Hunters at the Council Chambers. It was a good opportunity to thank them for the work they have been doing in controlling pests and helping keep our environment safe.

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Point Howard Residents Association report

- Progress is going well on the middle (16-74) Howard Road section of the watermain renewal. CCL have been engaging with residents directly about works immediately in front of their property. Although the road is closed to through traffic, residents access has been maintained.
- The progress on the water main renewal on upper Howard Road stalled due to the Action Civil crew being called away to other works. We hope they restart tomorrow. Whilst the crew are fabulous, WWL need to review putting "fix it" crews on planned project work. Residents are concerned that they are no longer a priority and work will drag on for months as it's now 10 households impacted, down from 50. We have received assurances that this is not the case, but time will tell. The PHA are waiting on news from HCC regarding the resurfacing of upper Howard Road and the removal of the humps by 76/78 Howard Road.
- There is a concern that Howard Road below #74 won't be resurfaced after CCL completes their work between 1 and 74 Howard Rd. The middle section (16-74) required resurfacing before the current works began as it was already in poor condition.
- The PHA have not heard back regarding an updated map to show that Pt Howard beach is not included in the Sorrento Bay BPA.