

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Manukau Harbour Forum will be held on:

**Date:** Friday, 8 April 2022  
**Time:** 12.15 pm  
**Meeting Room:** via Microsoft Teams

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## Manukau Harbour Forum

### OPEN AGENDA

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#### MEMBERSHIP

|                           |                      |
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| <b>Chairperson</b>        | Jon Turner           |
| <b>Deputy Chairperson</b> | Alan Cole            |
| <b>Members</b>            | Rangi McLean         |
|                           | Maria Meredith       |
|                           | Sue Smurthwaite      |
|                           | Lemauga Lydia Sosene |
|                           | Kay Thomas           |
|                           | Saffron Toms         |
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(Quorum 5 members)

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**1 Welcome**

**2 Apologies**

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

**3 Declaration of Interest**

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

**4 Confirmation of Minutes**

That the Manukau Harbour Forum:

- a) confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Friday, 11 February 2022, as a true and correct.

**5 Leave of Absence**

At the close of the agenda no requests for leave of absence had been received.

**6 Acknowledgements**

At the close of the agenda no requests for acknowledgements had been received.

**7 Petitions**

At the close of the agenda no requests to present petitions had been received.

**8 Deputations**

Standing Order 7.7 provides for deputations. Those applying for deputations are required to give seven working days notice of subject matter and applications are approved by the Chairperson of the Manukau Harbour Forum. This means that details relating to deputations can be included in the published agenda. Total speaking time per deputation is ten minutes or as resolved by the meeting.

At the close of the agenda no requests for deputations had been received.

**9 Public Forum**

A period of time (approximately 30 minutes) is set aside for members of the public to address the meeting on matters within its delegated authority. A maximum of 3 minutes per item is allowed, following which there may be questions from members.

At the close of the agenda no requests for public forum had been received.

**10 Extraordinary Business**

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

“An item that is not on the agenda for a meeting may be dealt with at that meeting if-

- (a) The local authority by resolution so decides; and
- (b) The presiding member explains at the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public,-
  - (i) The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
  - (ii) The reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.”

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

“Where an item is not on the agenda for a meeting,-

- (a) That item may be discussed at that meeting if-
  - (i) That item is a minor matter relating to the general business of the local authority; and
  - (ii) the presiding member explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at the meeting; but
- (b) no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer that item to a subsequent meeting of the local authority for further discussion.”

## Manukau Harbour Forum coordinator's report

File No.: CP2022/00048

### Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To receive the Manukau Harbour Forum (MHF) co-ordinator's report.

### Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

2. Julie Chambers, MHF co-ordinator, will update forum members on the activities for the period 1-31 March 2022.

### Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Manukau Harbour Forum:

- a) receive the MHF co-ordinator's report for the period 1-31 March 2022.

### Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

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### Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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| Authorisers | Glenn Boyd - Local Area Manager   |





**Manukau Harbour Forum Coordinator Report**

**Reporting Outputs Period: 1 -31 March 2022 (4 weeks @ 10 hours per week)**

**Report date: 31/03/2022**

**Number: #008**

**March Outputs Summary**

March outputs have focussed on researching and redrafting the Manukau Harbour Forum Terms of Reference and reviewing and providing recommended content for the Manukau Harbour Forum’s Auckland Council webpage. Updating the Forum on progress with the Hydrodynamic Model is also a priority and a meeting was held with a member of the Healthy Waters Integrated Catchment Team. Emails are being exchanged to arrange further briefings for the Forum, either in August or at the start of the new term. Communications are ongoing with the Manukau Harbour Restoration Society, with a view to developing a closer working relationship with the Forum. A site visit to Whatipu Regional Park provided further background perspective. An online meeting was held with the Chair and Deputy Chair, and future meeting dates arranged. These will be arranged as required, probably monthly.

| MHF Theme 1<br>Strategy &<br>Planning | Workplan Detail: to support the achievement of the Forum’s strategy and planning vision the coordinator will:   |
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|                                       | 1a. Work with Executive - planning<br>1b. Create / maintain an events calendar<br>1c. Meet (as possible) with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AC Natural Environment Strategy team,</li> <li>• Healthy Waters team,</li> <li>• Environmental Services team, and the</li> <li>• Local Area Manager who works with the Manukau Harbour.</li> </ul> 1d. Identify opportunities for advocacy submissions.<br>1e. Identify funding opportunities  |
|                                       | <p><b>Coordinator report on strategic and planning activities undertaken:</b></p> <p><b>1a. Identifying and planning key actions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed and provided feedback on Comms Plan – 5 hours</li> <li>• Created final copy for filing – circulated for sign off</li> <li>• MHF Terms of Reference (TOR) – researched background documents and redrafted next version.</li> <li>• Circulated TOR, received feedback, and adjusted accordingly</li> <li>• Meeting with Forum Chair and Deputy Chair – continued email correspondence</li> </ul> <p><b>1b. Calendar:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No updates this month</li> </ul> <p><b>1c. Joining Meetings with Natural Environments Team:</b> No meetings notified – email communication with Team leader</p> <p><b>1d. Opportunity for advocacy:</b> Annual Plan submissions are due – but no MHF submission this budget.</p> <p><b>1e. Funding opportunities:</b> No external funding appropriate for MHF identified at this point</p> |

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| <b>MHF Theme 2<br/>Collaboration –<br/>working with the<br/>Friends of the<br/>Forum</b>   | <b>Workplan Detail: to support the achievement of the Forum’s collaboration<br/>Vision the coordinator will:</b>             |
| <p>2a. Liaise with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tāmaki Estuary Environment Forum (TEEF), the</li> <li>• Mahurangi Harbour Forum and the</li> <li>• Hauraki Gulf Forum</li> </ul> <p>2b. Identify and create relationships to promote the MH with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• government agencies, organisations</li> <li>• stakeholders, and individuals</li> </ul> <p>2c. Work with the Executive to support implementation of the Comms Plan.</p>   |  |
| <p><b>Communications, collaborative, and relationship building activities undertaken:</b></p> <p>2a. <b>Attended:</b><br/>Auckland Council Climate Action Plan community briefing (ZOOM)</p> <p>2b. <b>Reviewed:</b><br/>Auckland Council Webpage reviewed – and compared with other similar pages<br/>Background research undertaken and new sections recommended<br/>Circulated first draft to Executive</p> <p>2c. <b>Communications</b> – Focus on MHF Public Profile<br/>Manukau Harbour Restoration Society Communications ongoing<br/>Coordinator continued communications with Hauraki Gulf Forum</p>  |  |
| <b>MHF Theme 3<br/>Building<br/>knowledge base<br/>the Forum</b>   | <b>Workplan Detail: to support the achievement of the Forum’s vision of<br/>building the knowledge the coordinator will:</b> |
| <p>3a. Identify information, studies and programmes that might assist the MHF.</p> <p>3b. Liaise with Auckland Council staff to achieve the above:</p>   |  |
| <p><b>Coordinator report on ‘building knowledge base’ of the Forum</b></p> <p>3a. Research for the redrafted Terms of Reference and Webpage undertaken and shore bird reference research continued, with a significant paper received from a recently formed Environmental Law Trust, based in Wellington - <a href="#">About Us — Environmental Law Initiative (eli.org.nz)</a> -<br/>Site visit to Whatipu Regional Park.</p> <p>3b. <b>Meeting / communications with:</b><br/>Healthy Waters Integrated Catchment Team – meeting and email communications to determine feedback for the MHF members</p> <p><b>Actions to undertake in next reporting period:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to build endnote references for future use in submissions and papers.</li> </ul> |  |

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| <b>MHF Theme 4<br/>Mana whenua<br/>involvement</b>   | <b>Workplan Detail: to support the achievement of the Forum's vision to develop, build, and maintain relationships with mana whenua the coordinator will:</b>  |
|  | <p>4a. Treaty of Waitangi acknowledgement and inclusion</p> <p>4b. Assist creating relationships with local and central government agencies, stakeholders, and partners who may have interests and work aligned with the vision and focus of the Manukau Harbour Forum (refer to 2b.).</p> <p>4c. Host Hui</p> |
| <b>Coordinator report on building and maintaining mana whenua relationships:<br/>4a &amp; 4b and 4c.</b>         |  |
| <b>MHF Theme<br/>Administration</b>  | <b>Workplan Detail: to support the achievement of the Forum's vision for administration the coordinator will:</b>  |
| 5. – keeping the Forum moving forward  | <p>5a. Appoint and orientate a MHF Coordinator.</p> <p>5b. Create a calendar of Local Board events and business items that relate to the harbour sourcing the information from the nine local boards that have members on the Forum as a reference for MHF communications and planning</p>                     |
| <b>Coordinator report on completing administration requirements:<br/>5a. Completed<br/>5b. as per (see 1b.).</b> |  |



## Manukau Harbour Forum Chair's report

File No.: CP2022/04093

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### Te take mō te pūrongo / Purpose of the report

1. To provide the Manukau Harbour Forum Chair, Jon Turner, with an opportunity to update forum members on the Manukau Harbour Forum activities.

### Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

2. It is anticipated that the Chairperson will speak to the report at the meeting.

### Ngā tūtohunga / Recommendation

That the Manukau Harbour Forum:

- a) receive Chair Jon Turner's report from February to March 2022.

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### Ngā kaihaina / Signatories

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| Authorisers | Glenn Boyd - Local Area Manager   |



## Manukau Harbour Forum Chair Jon Turner's report for period February to March 2022

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### Attendances:

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| 11 <sup>th</sup> February | Manukau Harbour Forum workshop and business meeting. |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> February | Local Board Chairs Forum.                            |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> March     | MHF meeting with Coordinator and Deputy Chair Cole.  |

Our February workshop featured an update on the Old Mangere Bridge project, looking at the environmental controls during construction, the works completed so far and the final design. The middle arch has been put into place and it looks impressive from different vantage points around the harbour. We also had an update on the State of the Environment report, looking at the positives and negatives of the report and how we can use it to inform our work programme in future. We had a discussion about how boards and the forum can best feed into the water strategy, which was signed off at the Environment and Climate Change committee recently. Councillor Daniel Newman, holder of the Harbours portfolio attended and gave a great presentation about how we can advocate to ensure better protection of the harbour, particularly considering large developments in low energy receiving environments. Finally, we had a discussion about the Manukau Harbour Forum communications plan, and how we can begin to implement this.

Our coordinator Julie Chambers has been doing excellent work meeting with community groups and developing work for us, including a refresh of our Terms of Reference and creating a plan for updating the Manukau Harbour Forum website so that it can begin to form a depository of information for residents.

I mentioned in my previous report that I had been working with a concerned citizen about development along the Waikaraka foreshore. This has been a drawn-out process, and will continue to be, but the regulatory team has taken a lot of interest in this and taken action to stop any further degradation beyond what has already taken place. The situation raised some concerns around the lack of protection for the area under the Unitary Plan. As this is a very low-lying area, sea level rise may lead to some serious issues for the harbour in future, as the old landfills become exposed to the sea.



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**Jon Turner (Puketāpapa Local Board)**  
Chair of the Manukau Harbour Forum





## Feedback to Auckland's Water Strategy

File No.: CP2022/03964

### Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To enable the Manukau Harbour Forum (Forum) to endorse provided feedback on Auckland's Water Strategy

### Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

2. The Manukau Harbour Forum received a report of Auckland's Water Strategy at its 11 February 2022 meeting. The Forum were invited to provide feedback to inform the Environment and Climate Change Committee.
3. As per the following resolution MHFJC/2022/1 the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson were delegated authority to coordinate and submit feedback.

#### 13 Auckland's Water Strategy

Resolution number MHFJC/2022/2

MOVED by Member S Toms, seconded by Member D Trenberth:

**That the Manukau Harbour Forum:**

- a) **provide feedback on the eight strategic shifts of the Water Strategy framework:**
  - i) **Te Tiriti Partnership**
  - ii) **Empowered Aucklanders**
  - iii) **Sustainable Allocation and Equitable Access**
  - iv) **Regenerative Water Infrastructure**
  - v) **Water Security**
  - vi) **Integrated Land use and Water Planning**
  - vii) **Restoring and Enhancing Water Ecosystems**
  - viii) **Pooling Knowledge.**
- a) **delegate authority to Chairperson J Turner and Deputy Chairperson A Cole to coordinate and provide feedback on Auckland's Water Strategy.**

**CARRIED**

4. Feedback from the Forum was submitted on 28 February 2022 and is attached for formal endorsement.

### Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Manukau Harbour Forum:

- a) endorse Attachment A as the Manukau Harbour Forum's feedback to Auckland's Water Strategy.

## Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

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28 February 2022

**Feedback from the Manukau Harbour Forum with respects the Auckland's Water Strategy report.**

This feedback has been approved as delegated to MHF Chair and Deputy Chair. Resolution MHFJC/2022/5

The Manukau Harbour Forum:

- a) note the Forum is constituted of the nine local boards who share the Manukau Harbour coastal edge. The intent of the forum is to raise the profile, and advocate for action, to improve the water quality of the Manukau Harbour and its watershed
- b) support the eight identified strategic shifts of Auckland's Water Strategy and its response to the recognition that high quality water, and water environments, are important to Aucklanders
- c) support the identification of the need for additional resourcing to deliver on actions outlined in the water strategy
- d) reinforce the known need for action to remediate and return the vitality of the marine waters of the Manukau harbour along with its connected above and below ground freshwater water sources
- e) seek support for the finalisation of the current state assessment of the Manukau Harbour and its watershed in the next financial year, and the development and resourcing of a specific Manukau Harbour plan for action to inform the 2024 10-year budget
- f) note the 2020 Environment and Climate Change Committee resolution ECC/2020/57 b) support building better relationships between Auckland Council and mana whenua around the Manukau Harbour, including exploring a new approach to governance, and specifically support the enhancement of relationships between Auckland Council and mana whenua with regards to partnering on improved outcomes for the Manukau Harbour
- g) acknowledge the role of community action and the tireless contributions that are being made, and seek their continued support by Auckland Council through additional resourcing for local decisions and actions funded through regional budgets



## Elected Member updates

File No.: CP2022/04098

### Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. A period of 15 minutes has been set aside for the attending elected members to update the Forum on significant matters relating to Manukau Harbour.

### Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Manukau Harbour Forum:

- a) receive any elected member verbal or tabled updates.

### Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

### Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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## Confirmation of Workshop Record

File No.: CP2022/04099

### Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To note the workshop record held by the Manukau Harbour Forum.

### Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

Briefings provided at the workshop are as follows:

#### Friday 8 February 2022

Coordinator's update

1. Old Mangere Bridge project
2. Manukau Harbour - State of the Environment update
3. Auckland's Water Strategy
4. Councillor Daniel Newman - Auckland Harbours Lead
5. Present proposed MHF Communications Plan

### Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Manukau Harbour Forum:

- a) note the workshop record for the workshop held on 11 February 2022.

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### Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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## Manukau Harbour Forum Workshop notes via MS Teams

**Date:** Friday 11 February 2022  
**Time:** 9.00am-12.00pm  
**Attendees:** Jon Turner (Chair), Alan Cole (Deputy Chair)  
**Members:** Lemauga Lydia Sosene, Dawn Trenberth, Sue Smurthwaite, Saffron Toms (from 9.30am) and Kay Thomas  
**Alternates:** Amanda Kinzett (from 10am), Tabetha Gorrie, Ofa Dewes, Ella Kumar (from 9.30am), Michelle Clayton, Chris Makoare and Jessica Rose (from 10am)  
**Apologies:** Maria Meredith, George Hawkins,  
**Staff attending:** Glenn Boyd, Brenda Railey, Ben Paris, Wendy D'Arcy, Dave Allen, Donna Carter, Cicilia Dwe, Ella Walsh and Orrin Kapua

**External:** Julie Chambers

**Staff Apologies:**

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| 9.00am<br>(15 mins) | <p>Karakia</p> <p>Member and staff introductions<br/>Chair's opening comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Briefing on mangrove issue: Still under investigation</li> <li>2. Deaths in the harbour</li> </ol>  |
| 9.15am<br>(15 mins) | <p>Present coordinator's activities for January 2022<br/>Presenter: Jon Turner</p> <p>Brief overview of presentation prepared by coordinator activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to MHF documents on Cloud (set up by Glenn Boyd)</li> <li>• Draft MHF Terms of Reference refresh discussed</li> <li>• Liaising with Friends of the Forum</li> <li>• Building and maintaining mana whenua relationships</li> </ul>  |
| 9.30am<br>(30 mins) | <p><b>1. Old Mangere Bridge project</b></p> <p>To provide an update on the Mangere Bridge upgrade<br/>Presenters: Introduction by Grace Doughty, Ronnie Salunga (Waka Kotahu) and Kurt Grant (McConnell Dowell) on project progress</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fishing rod holders, 12m wide at fishing bays, 11 benches, 1.2m high handrail, 8m wide deck, 8m in low tide and 4m in high tide clearance.</li> <li>• Progress update on on-going works provided.</li> <li>• Challenges outlined including deconstruction of old Māngere bridge.</li> <li>• Works completed: arch and deck sections fabricated in Napier and concrete beams being fabricated in Tauranga.</li> </ul> |

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|                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental controls: Floating pontoon, noise monitoring, erosion and sediment control and machinery using bio oil.</li> <li>Held events with local community including local schools. Kept people updated with quarterly newsletters, monthly e-movie and via social media.</li> <li>On track for August 2022 completion.</li> </ul> <p>Followed by question time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are people going to be able to jump off the bridge?</li> <li>Auckland Council will maintain bridge (local road) however bridge vested in Crown)</li> <li>Forum appreciated communications and keeping everyone in loop and community updated.</li> </ul>   |
| 10.00am<br>(30 mins) | <p><b>2. Manukau Harbour - State of the Environment update</b></p> <p>To give an update covering the findings of the monitoring on latest river water quality and coastal water quality annual reports.</p> <p>Presenters: Megan Carbines (Lead Environmental Scientist - Research &amp; Evaluation - RIMU) and Donna Carter</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>Synthesis of State of the Environment Monitoring in the Manukau presentation presented by RIMU (Research and Evaluation Unit)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13 reports underpin synthesis report</li> <li>Recap of regional findings provided</li> <li>Concern with water and air quality, level of contaminants on land/sea and excess sediment's negative impact explained.</li> <li>Additional work undertaken e.g. shorebird and seabird monitoring programme etc.</li> </ul>               |
| 10.30am<br>(30 mins) | <p><b>3. Auckland's Water Strategy</b></p> <p>Provided a briefing of Auckland's Water Strategy report.</p> <p>Presenter: Todd Shephard and Glenn Boyd</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forum feedback / key points (delegation to chair and deputy chair to make changes)</li> <li>Use of new terminology</li> <li>Mana whenua alignment to local boards / reported regionally</li> </ul>  |
| 11.00am<br>(30 mins) | <p><b>4. Councillor Daniel Newman - Auckland Harbours Lead</b></p> <p>To share from a regional level view and converse with the members of the forum</p> <p>Presenter: Daniel Newman (Milo Guichard, Senior Councillor advisor)</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grateful for work of Auckland Plan Strategy &amp; Research team re progress Natural, water targeted rate.</li> <li>Biggest challenge Manukau Harbour – legacy land use practices and remediation going forward</li> <li>Sediment from land going into harbour</li> <li>Significant challenge impact on natural world</li> <li>Provided a perspective rather than asking what is the Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR) doing in the Manukau catchment that turn this to identifying projects within catchments that can attract WQTR as a better approach.</li> </ul> |

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|                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identified the Awakeri Wetlands stormwater improvement project as being a best practice one that forum members may like to learn more about.</li><li>• Talked about the current three waters reforms and noted mixed views.</li></ul> |
| 11.30am<br>(30 mins) | <b>5. Present proposed MHF Communications Plan</b><br>Presentation of the proposed MHF Communications Plan for consideration and feedback from the Forum members.<br>Presenter: Wendy D'Arcy<br>Notes:<br>- Draft Comms Plan presented for consideration by Forum members.    |
| 12.00pm              | <b>Finish</b>   |
| 12.15pm              | <b>Business Meeting commences</b>   |