# Taihape Community Board Report by the Taihape Community Development Trust

13 December 2023

I would like to put in my apologies due to a prior engagement. I have provided a report for 2023 and a look ahead to 2024.

# 1. Social Wellbeing

- Event Gumboot Day unfortunately did not go ahead due to weather cancellation
- Community Newsletters 1235 Printed monthly, with December being 1245.
- Assisted Council with Community engagement and activities Comments:
  - We provide 309 Talk it up Taihape via email through online Mailchimp as well as an additional 11 to personal emails
  - Talk it up Taihape rural send of:
    - 205 RD 2&3
    - 180 RD 1&7
    - 150 RD 4&5
  - Assisted in the advertising and collaboration of resources for community engagement activities from various groups, to name a few:
    - RDC Youth delivered activities
    - The Koha Shed advertising
    - The Gumboots Band
    - Manu Bomb event
  - Taihape Community Market is thriving, and we continue to support it with advertising and resources to our Market.
  - The Taihape Spring Fling was held on 23 September 2023, along with the DayBreaker Rally.
  - This year, stallholders were placed on the footpath of the main street, which was well-received by stallholders and businesses, locals, and travelers. Stallholders on the footpath of the main street will continue at all events.
  - The trust also organised, in collaboration with Rustic Steakhouse, a breakfast menu for the DayBreaker Rally participants. We were able to utilise our website as an online booking system for the rally drivers and their pit crews to place their orders. The Playground Group was part of the process of packaging and delivering the breakfast to the pit crews. Tyson donated a portion of the proceeds from the breakfast to the Taihape Playground Group. It is also great that other groups are doing fundraisers for the Taihape Playground Group.
  - On Friday, 24 November 2023, Waka Tākaro Rangitīkei (Play Trailer) was launched at Taoroa School, and on Monday 11 November St Joseph's School.

### 2. Cultural Wellbeing

- Event NZBTA Mini Gumboot Day
- Welcoming Communities Packs -

#### Comments:

- Distributed Welcoming Community packs to various places

   Taihape Health Limited, Harcourts, PGG Wrightson, Taihape Police, TAS, St Joseph's School, Arizto, Property Brokers, Harcourts, Bayley's, Inspire Property
- Advertising and providing resources to host meetings for Mokai Patea Services and ongoing for Matariki
- Te Roopu Oranga assistance in Advertising
- Advertising and connections made with Whanganui/Rangitikei Multi-Cultural counsel to support the welcoming community's network.
- Working in collaboration with many of our health services to provide support and add value to their services:
  - Taihape Health Ltd
  - Dementia Whanganui

### 3. Economic Wellbeing

Funding - 12 successful applications for the year Business After Five - x2

#### Comments

- Pub Charity
  - Gumboot Day 2023
  - Spring Fling
  - Gumboot Day 2024
- Tu Manawa Fund x2:
  - Play Trailer Equipment
  - Junior Tennis Coach
- RDC Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) x3
  - Community Pataka Dukes Roadhouse Mangaweka
  - Whanau Hobby Hut
  - Taihape Housing Steering group
- RDC Creative Communities Scheme (CCS)
   Baby Animal Fair
- Four Regions
  - CCTV Cameras for Taihape, Hunterville, Bulls
- McCarthy
  - Taihape Housing Steering Group
- Dudding Trust
   General events and projects
- Business after five evenings held in Taihape
  - Blush Florist
  - Wild Roses

• Assisting in advertising initiatives for local businesses, organizations, local providers, and community agencies

### 4. Environment Wellbeing

Collaborative - Taihape Community Hautapu Pine Community Event - Hautapu River Planting **Comments:** 

- Providing resources (Gazebo) and advertising for Hautapu River parks Planting Day
- Proactive in Taihape Garden Club with advertising and providing seasonal support of seedlings and plants from the wider community.
- Civil Defence advertising for their volunteer network and training resources

## 5. Looking ahead

### 2023

Late Night Shopping - Thursday 14th and 21st Dec 2023 till 7.00pm Lollie Scramble - Friday 22nd Dec 2023, 5.30 pm start. The Trust has organised for the local Fire Brigade and Police, and Santa will drive around all the streets in Taihape and do a Lollie scramble.

**Community Christmas Lunch** - Monday 25th Dec 2023, doors open at 11.30 am, with lunch around 12.30 pm. Bring along a \$5.00 gift.

### 2024

Gumboot Day - Saturday 27th January 2024, Memorial Park, 10.00 am - 3.00 pm

On behalf of the Trust, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year.

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