

Kāwhia Community Board

Open Minutes of the Inaugural meeting of the Kāwhia Community Board held in the Kāwhia Community Centre, 27 Jervois Street, Kāwhia on Thursday, 6 November 2025 commencing at 4.00pm.

Tanya Winter, Chief Executive

14 November 2025

Kāwhia Community Board attendance

Board Member Geoff Good Attended

Board Member Richard Harpur Attended

Board Member Kit Jeffries Attended

Board Member Annie Mahara Attended

Board Member Hinga Whiu Attended

ŌDC Leadership Team in attendance

Chief Executive Tanya Winter Attended

Group Manager Regulatory & Growth Tony Quickfall Attended

Other Elected Members present

Mayor Rodney Dow Attended

Deputy Mayor Katrina Christison Attended

Kāwhia-Tihiroa Councillor Jo Butcher Attended

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Public excluded	Take matatapu	
There are no reports.		

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These Open Minutes were prepared by Manager Governance, Kaia King and approved for distribution by Group Manager Regulatory and Growth, Tony Quickfall on 14 November 2025.

Commencement of meeting

Te tīmatanga o te hui

Mayor Dow declared the meeting open at 4.40pm.

Opening prayer/reflection/words of wisdom

Karakia/huitao/whakataukī

Board Member Whiu provided an opening karakia.

Apologies Ngā hōnea

There were no apologies.

Making and attesting of declaration of Board Member-elects

Mayor Dow invited each Board Member-elect to make their Declaration in alphabetical order.

Decision reports

Ngā pūrongo whakatau

Item 1 - Voting system used to appoint Chairperson

ŌDC's Chief Executive, Tanya Winter outlined the two options for consideration.

Resolved K1: That the Kāwhia Community Board:

- a) **ADOPTS** System B as the method for electing the chairperson,
- b) **NOTES** this adoption is in accordance with Schedule 7, Clause 25 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Councillor Jeffries | Board Member Good

Item 2 - Appointment of Chairperson

Mayor Dow called for nominations and one nomination was received.

Resolved K2: That the Kāwhia Community Board

a) **APPOINTS** Geoff Good as the Chairperson for the 2025-28 Triennium.

b) **NOTES** this appointment is made in accordance with Clause 37(1) of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Board Member Harpur | Board Member Mahara

Chairperson Geoff Good assumed the Chairperson role.

Item 3 - Appointment of Deputy Chairperson

Chairperson Good called for nominations and one nomination was received.

Resolved K3: That the Kāwhia Community Board

- a) **APPOINTS** Hinga Whiu as the Deputy Chairperson for the 2025-28 Triennium.
- b) **NOTES** this appointment is made in accordance with Clause 37(1) of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Board Member Harpur | Board Member Mahara

Item 4 - Fixing of a date and time for the first meeting

ŌDC's Chief Executive, Tanya Winter advised a decision on the date and time of the first ordinary meeting of the Kāwhia Community Board was required at the Inaugural meeting under legislation.

Resolved K4: That Kāwhia Community Board:

- a) **CONFIRMS** the first ordinary meeting of the Board for the 2025–28 Triennium is to be held on Thursday, 4 December 2025, commencing at 4.00pm; and,
- b) **NOTES** this decision will satisfy statutory requirements and enable the effective initiation of the Board's business.

Councillor Jeffries | Board Member Mahara

Information only reports

Ngā pūrongo mōhiohio anake

Item 5 - General explanation of laws affecting elected members

ŌDC's Chief Executive, Tanya Winter spoke to a PowerPoint presentation¹ outlining the key legislation.

¹ Available upon request.

Resolved K5: That the Kāwhia Community Board:

a) **RECEIVES** the report titled 'General explanation of laws affecting elected members' by Tanya Winter, Chief Executive; and,

b) **NOTES** Board Members will receive further advice from staff as part of their induction and on a caseby-case basis to ensure they understand their legal obligations when making decisions.

Board Member Mahara | Board Member Harpur

Public excluded Take matatapu

There were no reports.

Closing prayer/reflection/words of wisdom

Karakia/huritao/whakataukī

Deputy Chairperson Whiu provided a closing karakia.

Meeting closure Katinga o te hui

Chairperson Good declared the meeting closed at 5.09pm.