



FUTURE NAPIER COMMITTEE

Open Agenda

Meeting Date: Thursday 10 April 2025

Time: Following Sustainable Napier Committee

Venue: Large Exhibition Hall
War Memorial Centre
Marine Parade
Napier

Livestreamed via Council's Facebook page

Committee Members **Chair:** Deputy Mayor Brosnan

Members: Mayor Wise, Councillors Boag, Browne, Chrystal (Deputy Chair), Crown, Greig, Mawson, McGrath, Price, Simpson, Tareha and Taylor

Ngā Mānukanuka o te Iwi representatives – Tiwana Aranui and Darren Tareha

Officer Responsible Executive Director City Strategy

Administration Governance Team

Next Future Napier Committee Meeting
Thursday 15 May 2025

2022-2025 TERMS OF REFERENCE - FUTURE NAPIER COMMITTEE

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| <i>Chairperson</i> | <i>Deputy Mayor Brosnan</i> |
| <i>Deputy Chairperson</i> | <i>Councillor Chrystal</i> |
| <i>Membership</i> | <i>Mayor and Councillors (13)</i> <i>Ngā Mānukanuka o te Iwi (Māori Committee) (2)</i> |
| <i>Quorum</i> | <i>8</i> |
| <i>Meeting frequency</i> | <i>At least 6 weekly (or as required)</i> |
| <i>Officer Responsible</i> | <i>Executive Director City Strategy</i> |

Purpose

The purpose of this Committee is to provide governance to the town planning and regulatory functions of Council, including future planning and strategy.

Delegated Powers to Act

To exercise and perform Council's functions, powers and duties within its area of responsibility, excluding those matters reserved to Council by law or by resolution of Council, specifically including the following:

1. District and town planning and development.
2. Regulatory policy and functions of Council.
3. Environmental planning, policy and functions of Council.
4. Sustainable economic development.
5. Consider road stopping and approve the temporary closure of any road.
6. To monitor performance (including budget and performance targets in the Long Term Plan) for its area of responsibility and authority.
7. To adopt or amend policies or strategies related to the Committee's area of responsibility, provided the new or amended policy does not conflict with an existing policy or strategy.
8. Ensure Council meetings all compliance requirements relating to its regulatory responsibilities.
9. To resolve any other matters which fall outside the area of responsibility of all Standing Committees, but where the Mayor in consultation with the Chief Executive considers it desirable that the matter is considered by a Standing Committee in the first instance.

Power to Recommend

The Committee may recommend to Council and/or any standing committee as it deems appropriate.

The Committee may recommend to Council that new or amended bylaws be adopted.

The Committee may make a recommendation to the Annual Plan or Long Term Plan relevant to the Committee's responsibilities.

The Committee must make a recommendation to Council or the Chief Executive if the decision considered appropriate is not consistent with, or is contrary to, any policy (including the Annual Plan or Long Term Plan) established by the Council.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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Apologies

Nil

Conflicts of interest

Public forum

Nil

Announcements by the Mayor

Announcements by the Chairperson including notification of minor matters not on the agenda

Note: re minor matters only - refer LGOIMA s46A(7A) and Standing Orders s9.13

A meeting may discuss an item that is not on the agenda only if it is a minor matter relating to the general business of the meeting and the Chairperson explains at the beginning of the public part of the meeting that the item will be discussed. However, the meeting may not make a resolution, decision or recommendation about the item, except to refer it to a subsequent meeting for further discussion.

Announcements by the management

Confirmation of minutes

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Minor matters not on the agenda – discussion (if any)

Recommendation to Exclude the Public

Nil

AGENDA ITEMS

1. RESOURCE CONSENTS ACTIVITY UPDATE

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| <i>Type of Report:</i> | Information |
| <i>Legal Reference:</i> | N/A |
| <i>Document ID:</i> | 1841588 |
| <i>Reporting Officer/s & Unit:</i> | Nick McCool, Team Leader Resource Consents |

1.1 Purpose of Report

This report provides an update on recent resource consenting activity. The report is provided for information purposes only, so that there is visibility of major projects and an opportunity for Elected Members to understand the process.

Applications are assessed by delegation through the Resource Management Act (RMA); it is not intended to have application outcome discussions as part of this paper.

Officer’s Recommendation

The Future Napier Committee:

- a. **Note** the resource consent activity update for the period 13 February to 20 March 2025.

1.2 Background Summary

The following is an outline of recent activity regarding applications received by Council for consenting pursuant to the RMA.

Since the previous update, there has been a decrease in the number of resource consent applications received by approximately 28% when compared to the same period 12 months prior. There continues to be a steady number of pre-application meeting requests received. The mix of submitted application type over the last reporting period remains consistent with the previous year being approximately 60% Land Use and 40% Subdivision. Since the previous update all resource consents were issued within statutory timeframes. At times the Resource Consent Planners have utilised Section 37.

The table below outlines the current resource consenting activities in Napier and the status of these for information purposes. Whilst this is not an entire list of all applications currently being assessed or having been determined, they are significant or noteworthy applications of which details are being provided in this report.

1.3 Summary Table

| Lodgment Date | Address | Description | Status |
|---------------|---|---|--|
| 12/03/2025 | 300 Marine Parade, Napier South | Installation and operation of a bicycle parking structure (5 bikes), digital sign for advertising and a static identification sign, commonly referred to as Locky Dock. | Under Assessment. Further information provided below. |
| 05/02/2025 | 11 West Place, Greenmeadows | To subdivide the property into 8 residential lots (7 additional residential lots) and one Jointly Owned Access Lot (JOAL). | Under Assessment. Previously reported – No further update. |
| 23/12/2024 | 54 and 55 Hardinge Road | To demolish an existing dwelling situated at 55 Hardinge Road and to then undertake alterations and additions to 54 Hardinge Road to create a self-contained dwelling, but which is connected to the existing dwelling. | Application amended. Demolition only granted 7 March. Additions and alterations, processing. |
| 19/12/2024 | 230 Gloucester Street and 27 Lee Road, Taradale | To undertake the staged redevelopment of the site to establish four commercial retail buildings (including a supermarket) and associated signage and at-grade customer parking. | Under Assessment. Previously reported – No further update. |
| 30/08/24 | 65 Munroe Street, Napier South | To construct a multi-unit residential development within the Fringe Commercial Zone, comprising 69 terraced residential units, and 41 apartments across two, three storey apartment buildings, and concurrent freehold subdivision. Overall Discretionary Activity. | Under Assessment. Previously reported – No further update. |
| 02/08/2024 | 100 Churchill Drive, Taradale | To subdivide a 2ha property which is zoned Rural Residential into 6 lots. Non-Complying Activity. | Under Assessment. Previously reported – No further update. |
| 14/03/2024 | 1/83 Kennedy Road, Napier South | Digital Billboard Sign | Under Assessment. Previously reported – No further update. |
| 21/08/2023 | 68 Franklin Road, Bay View | 59 Lot Subdivision | Hearing held 13 December 2024 Granted 26 March 2025 |

300 Marine Parade, Napier South

The applicant is seeking to install a docking station comprised of 5 bicycle parking berths, an electrical cabinet, one double-sided free-standing digital box and one lightning bolt sign (free standing sign). The docking station platform area would have a width of 2.2m and a length of 8.158m for a total surface area of 17.9476m². The digital sign is to be 2.397m high, and 1.340m wide.

The AEE states *“The LCD digital monitors are to be used for a mix of wayfinding, carbon zero behaviour change communications created by Big Street Bikers and their nationwide network partners and commercial advertising. There will be a maximum of 6 adverts per minute on each side of the media box and these will change at a frequency of 8 seconds. Enabling commercial advertisement ensures that the Locky Dock remains free of charge to the users.”*

The overall activity status is non-complying due to the 3rd party signage.



Figure 1: Location Plan being beside Bay Skate.

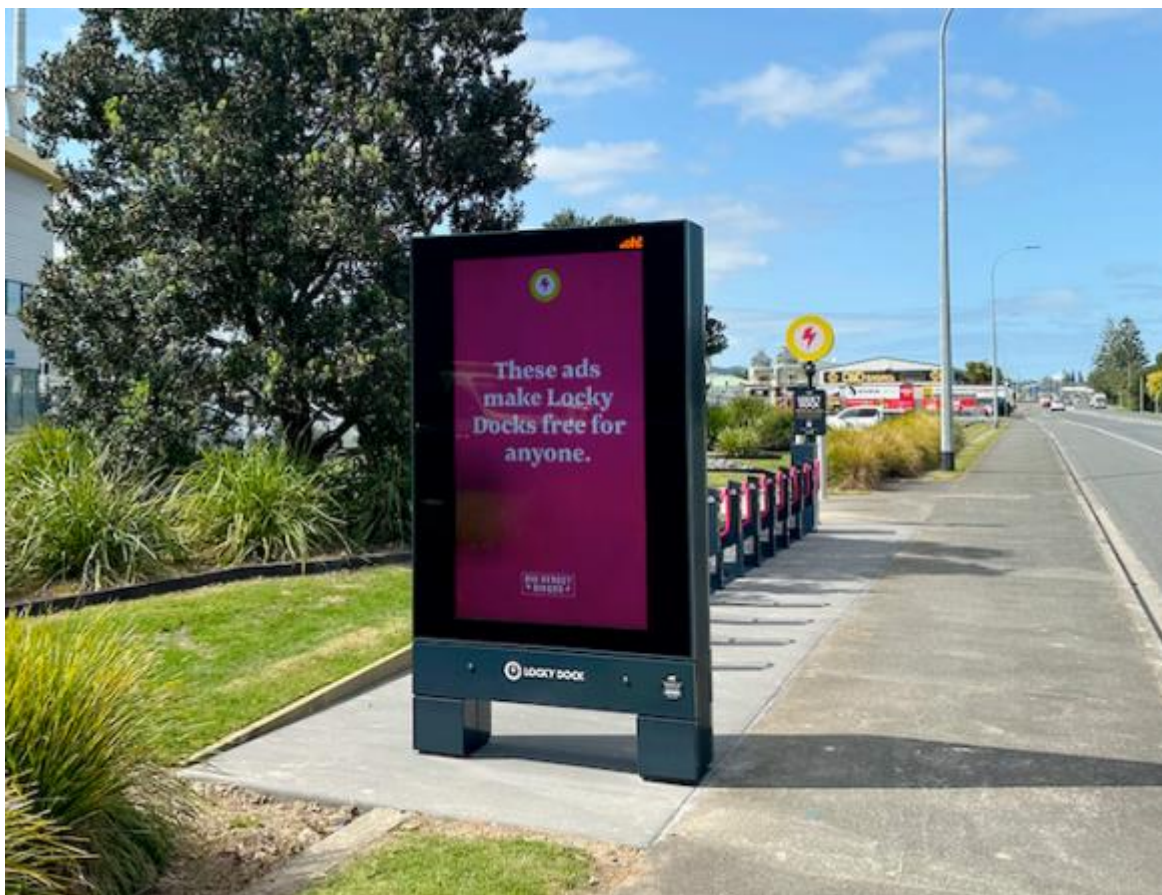


Figure 2: View of a ten berth docking station, digital box and lightning wheel (Photo from AEE).

1.4 Development of Preferred Option

Note the report titled "Resource Consents Activity Report" for information.

1.4 Attachments

Nil

2. AHURIRI REGIONAL PARK MASTERPLAN UPDATE

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| <i>Type of Report:</i> | Information |
| <i>Legal Reference:</i> | N/A |
| <i>Document ID:</i> | 1841998 |
| <i>Reporting Officer/s & Unit:</i> | Paulina Wilhelm, Manager City Development |

2.1 Purpose of Report

This report seeks to update you on the release of the Ahuriri Regional Park Masterplan before it goes for public consultation.

Officer's Recommendation

The Future Napier Committee:

- a. **Note** the Concept Design of the Ahuriri Regional Park Masterplan for public engagement in April and May - DOC ID 1831536
- b. **Note** the Communications and Engagement Plan Overview - DOC ID 1831535 paper.

2.2 Background Summary

Te Whanganui-a-Orotū, also known as the Ahuriri Estuary, is a unique wetland area that requires restoration due to years of stormwater discharge, wastewater discharges, and sediment runoff. To address these challenges, the Council aims to work closely with Hawke's Bay Regional Council (HBRC), Mana Ahuriri Trust (MAT), and Te Komiti Muriwai o Te Whanga to develop the Ahuriri Regional Park on the Council-owned land known as Lagoon Farm.

These parties have been working since early 2024 developing options to be included in the Concept Design and now are ready to release the draft for public engagement.

Mana whenua input has been crucial in imbedding the recent adopted Te Muriwai o Te Whanga Plan into the Masterplan.

At the Ahuriri Regional Park Joint Committee meeting held 17 February the Committee endorsed the Concept Design of the Ahuriri Regional Park Masterplan for public engagement.

We are now providing an update for your visibility on this project before it is released out to the public.

2.3 Issues

The development of the Concept Design has not been free of challenges. Many considerations have been worked through in the draft and will continue refining the outcomes of this project.

An important consideration is the location of the Ahuriri Regional Park. The Lagoon Farm, where the park will be located, is situated under the airport flight path. This brings challenges with potential bird strike. Avifauna specialists have been contracted to assess and mitigate any potential risks of bird strike.

Another key consideration is the development of the Lagoon Farm Stormwater Diversion project which seeks to store and treat stormwater from the city. Current information shows the solution through stormwater wetland ponds which have been integrated into the masterplan document (Attachment 1). This project is being developed in parallel with the Ahuriri Regional Park Masterplan and officers are making sure there is adequate integration and alignment between them.

2.4 Significance and Engagement

A one-page engagement overview is provided in Attachment 2 outlining the process for engagement. This includes:

- Digital engagement via Facebook, Micro videos and Council website
- Community outreach through the Neighbourly newsletter
- In person, open day at the farm scheduled for Saturday 3rd May
- Targeted engagement via direct letters to stakeholders and community champions.

2.5 Implications

Financial

The costs of this project are covered by operational budgets

Social & Policy

NA

Risk

The project manager is keeping a risk register with mitigation measures put in place to address these.

2.6 Options

The options available to Council are as follows:

- a. Note the Concept Design of the Ahuriri Regional Park Masterplan for public engagement in April and May - DOC ID 1831536
- b. Note the Communications and Engagement Plan Overview - DOC ID 1831535 paper.

2.7 Development of Preferred Option

NA

2.8 Attachments

- 1 Concept Design - Ahuriri Regional Park Masterplan for public engagement - DOC ID 1831536 [↓](#)
- 2 Communications and Engagement Plan Overview Attachment 2- DOC ID 1831535 [↓](#)



- Toilets
- Wayfinding and Cultural Story telling nodes
- Proposed vehicle acces
- Pedestrian/ cycleway

CORE REGIONAL PARK PROGRAMS

- ① Lagoon Farm Treatment Wetlands (Delivered as separate project)
- ② Ahuriri Regional Park Waharoa | Entrance
- ③ Ahuriri Regional Park Visitor Hub
- ④ Landmark pou and interactive wetland play zone
- ⑤ Discovery + Learning | Play + Sculptural Park
- ⑥ Plant production nursery for on-site use
- ⑦ Flexible use amphitheatre space
- ⑧ Woolshed Multiuse Community Events Centre / Restaurant
- ⑨ Regional Park Eco Camp - short stay guests
- ⑩ Taipo Confluence Waka Landing & lookout tower
- ⑪ Pumpstation Waka Landing & Visitor Kiosk
- ⑫ South Marsh Waka Landing stop and stay area with Lookout Tower and Picnic facilities
- ⑬ Existing waterway link to wetland south of stopbank maintained
- ⑭ Pa Harakeke flax collection
- ⑮ Te Wao Nui | Regenerating Forest
- ⑯ Regenerating Native Wetland
- ⑰ Island nodes
- ⑱ Manuka Plantation
- ⑲ Community Foraging Zone and Trails
- ⑳ Trail connections to existing cycleway
- ㉑ Existing Blokart Hawkes Bay Facility

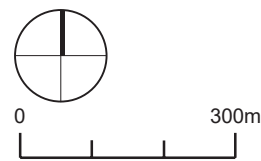
POTENTIAL FUTURE PROGRAMS

(Developed with public + private partnerships and NGOs)

- A Expansion to Plant nursery for commercial, retail & educational capacity
- B Predator Proof Fence (indicative potential alignment only)
- C Eco-Sanctuary Main Entrance
- D Expansion area for active recreational activities
- E Whare Pora | Cultural Weaving & Education Centre space
- F Freedom camping area
- G Accomodation/ Health Retreat Facility
- H Whare Wananga | Learning & Research Hub
- I Freshwater research and demonstration ponds (e.g. tuna | eel, kōura | freshwater crayfish)
- J Salt water research and demonstration ponds (e.g. Papaka | Crab, Patiki | Flounder, Purimu | Cockles)
- K Te Whanganui-a-Orotu Landmark Gateway Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge.
- L Restoring historic bridge connection to north bank



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AHURIRI REGIONAL PARK MASTERPLAN
DRAFT MASTERPLAN

Date: 5 February 2025 | Revision: 1

Te Mahere Taonga o Te Papa Rehia o Te Whanga // Ahuriri Regional Park Masterplan

Aerial Overview



Engagement Plan Overview

The purpose of this engagement series is to inform the public about the masterplan and gathering valuable feedback. Through this process, we will listen to community aspirations and concerns, acknowledge their perspectives, and clearly communicate how public input will help shape decision-making

Who

General public
 Will also specifically reach out to our Key Stakeholders, Forest and Bird, Waka Kotahi

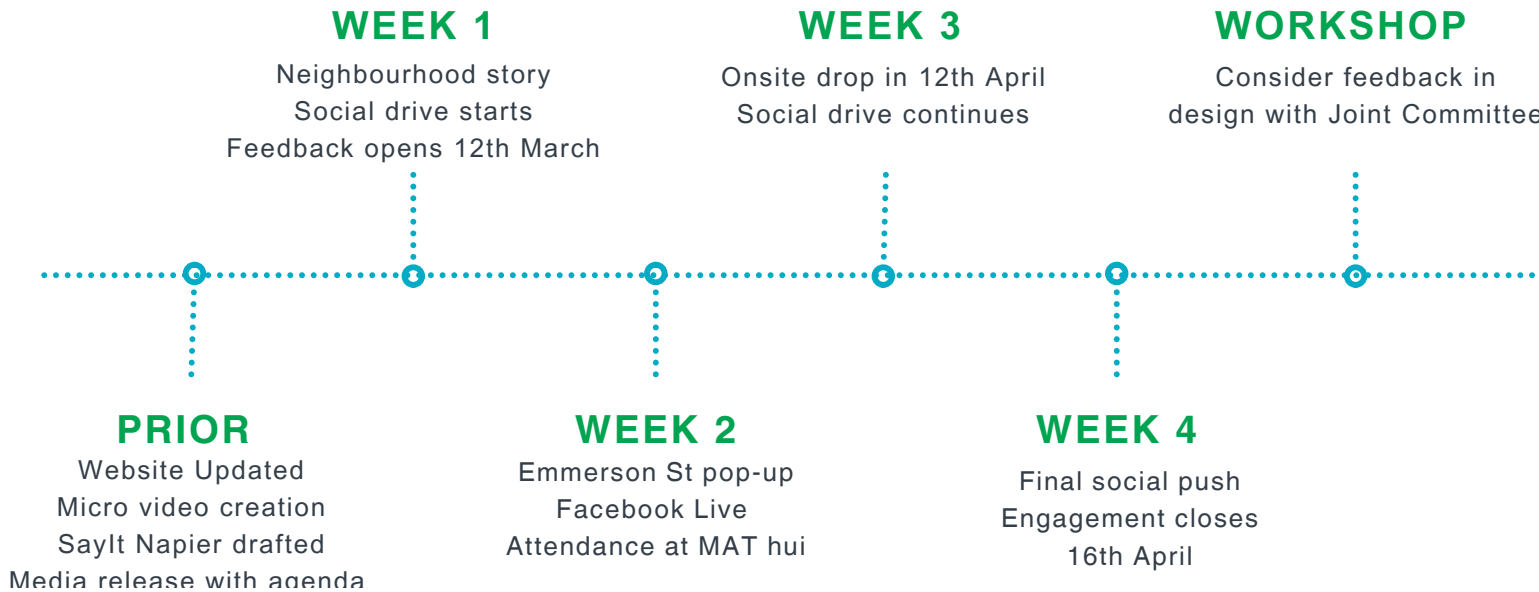
Key Messages

Stormwater infrastructure driver
 Benefits for improved stormwater management, ecological enhancement and community facility offering for the benefit of Napier and the wider region
 Wetlands form key infrastructure as a treatment facility to clean stormwater before entering the estuary
 Passive recreation

Methods

- Open day event at the site
- Leaning into special interest groups
- Neighbourly Newsletter
- Urban market stall
- Online material including:
 - Micro videos (reels)
 - Facebook Posts
 - Facebook Live
 - Napier Council Webpage

Timeline



FUTURE NAPIER COMMITTEE

Open Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday 6 March 2025

Time: 2:15pm – 2:59pm

Venue Large Exhibition Hall
War Memorial Centre
Marine Parade
Napier

Livestreamed via Council's Facebook page

Present **Chair:** Deputy Mayor Brosnan
Members: Councillors Boag, Browne, Chrystal (Deputy Chair),
Crown, Greig, McGrath, Price, Simpson and Taylor

In Attendance Chief Executive (Louise Miller)
Chief Financial Officer / Acting Executive Director Corporate
Services (Caroline Thomson)
Deputy Chief Executive / Acting Executive Director City Services
(Jessica Ellerm)
Executive Director City Strategy (Rachael Bailey)
Executive Director Infrastructure Services (Russell Bond)
Executive Director Community Services (Thunes Cloete)
Manager Communications and Marketing (Julia Stevens) [online]
Manager Regulatory Solutions (Luke Johnson)
Team Leader Resource Consents (Nick McCool)
Manager City Development (Paulina Wilhelm)
Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO) Manager (Bruce
Lake)
Economic Development Manager (Bill Roberts)
Team Leader City Design and Urban Renewal (Georgina King)
Strategic Programmes Manager (Darran Gillies)
Communications Specialist (Kate Penny)

Administration Governance Advisors (Jemma McDade and Carolyn Hunt)

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

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Apologies

Councillors Simpson / Chrystal

That the apologies from Mayor Wise and Councillors Mawson and Tareha be accepted.

Carried

The Ngā Mānukanuka o te Iwi representative, Tiwana Aranui, did not attend the meeting.

Conflicts of interest

Nil

Public forum

Nil

Announcements by the Mayor

Nil

Announcements by the Chairperson

Nil

Announcements by the management

Nil

Confirmation of minutes

Councillors Price / Browne

That the Minutes of the Future Napier Committee meeting held on Thursday 24 October 2024 were taken as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Carried

AGENDA ITEMS

1. PROJECT AND ACTIVITY UPDATE - CITY STRATEGY

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|--|---|
| <i>Type of Report:</i> | Operational |
| <i>Legal Reference:</i> | N/A |
| <i>Document ID:</i> | 1826854 |
| <i>Reporting Officer/s & Unit:</i> | Jessica Le Roux, EA to Executive Director City Strategy Darran Gillies, Strategic Programmes Manager Luke Johnson, Manager Regulatory Solutions Bruce Lake, Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO) Manager Paulina Wilhelm, Manager City Development Bill Roberts, Economic Development Manager Georgina King, Team Leader City Design and Urban Renewal |

1.1 Purpose of Report

To provide Council updates on key projects and activities managed within the City Strategy Directorate. The projects and activities reported on may vary from report to report, depending on what interests the Council.

At the meeting

The officers presented the report.

The **Civic Precinct** project is on track and on budget. The tender process for the main contractor is under way, with a preferred contractor to be presented mid-April and work to begin mid-July.

Questions were answered clarifying:

- Storyboard imagery will be displayed in the next two to six weeks. Hoardings from the Veronica Sun-bay display will be re-purposed and the opportunity for community art to be displayed will be explored.
- The detachable mural that was created circa 2016 has been stored. All artwork removed from the site has been recorded.

The **Waka Hub** concept design has gone through four wānanga between October and January to develop a memorandum of understanding.

There were no questions.

Hearings for the **Future Development Strategy** are being held in March. The Strategy is scheduled to be finalised by mid-2025.

Questions were answered clarifying:

- The hearings are likely to be online as the Future Development Strategy is a public document.

The **Freedom Camping Bylaw** is being prepared and will come to Council in May. The Bylaw will be in place by 1 July 2025.

There were no questions.

The **Climate Action Joint Committee** will release the risk assessment documents for public comment on 31 March 2025.

Questions were answered clarifying:

- Reports include information relating to Council and regional carbon emissions.

Council has provided feedback to the Environment Development Agency regarding the **Riverbend Road Fast Track Consenting Process**. If the fast track process is endorsed, Council will be able to provide detailed feedback raising concerns.

There were no questions.

Parking issues will be addressed during a workshop next month with modelling options presented for Taradale, Ahuriri and the CBD.

Questions were answered clarifying:

- Public transport and walking are not part of this strategy, though work is being undertaken separately in these areas.

The **global economic** situation with the United States of America will affect certainty and growth, though local growth is steady. Local businesses have requested greater collaboration, and this will be worked on this year.

Questions were answered clarifying:

- The local median income is higher than the national average, however Napier has a huge variety in terms of income. The figures look good, but Council has to be aware of those at the lower end.

The **EPMO** has been focussed on improving our data and the new systems being implemented are going well. Progress is pleasing.

There were no questions.

COMMITTEE Councillors Simpson / Crown

RESOLUTION

The Future Napier Committee:

- a. Receive the report titled “Project and Activity Update – City Strategy”.

ACTION: Update Councillors as to whether the Future Development Strategy Hearings will be livestreamed.

Carried

2. RESOURCE CONSENTS ACTIVITY UPDATE

Type of Report: Information

Legal Reference: N/A

Document ID: 1831960

Reporting Officer/s & Unit: Nick McCool, Team Leader Resource Consents

2.1 Purpose of Report

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At the meeting

The officer presented the report.

Questions were answered clarifying:

- The response relating to 65 Munroe Street has only recently been provided to Council, there is a lot to consider and it is progressing.
- Heritage assessments undertaken for the proposed District Plan found a need to be more specific. The weight of the planning tool needed depends on the status of the planning tool at the time, and whether or not it was notified at the time. That determines the heritage protections under the District Plan.
- Applicant names have been removed to be fair to all.

COMMITTEE Councillors Chrystal / Greig

RESOLUTION

The Future Napier Committee:

- a. Note the resource consent activity update for the year end and period 8 October 2024 to 13 February 2025.

Carried

Minor matters

Nil

The meeting closed at 2:59pm

Approved and adopted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Chairperson

Date of approval