

Wharekawa Coast 2120 Community Panel



August for our Community on the Wharekawa Coast 2120 project.

The Wharekawa 2120 Community Panel had organised a meeting with Mayor Toby Adams (HDC), Adrian de Laborde (HDC) Councillor Ross Harris (HDC) Councilor Philip Buckthought (HDC) Councillor Tegg (WRC) Adam Munro (WRC) Councillor Husband (WRC) and of course the in-house team of Simon Bendall (Traverse Environmental) Nina Murphy (HDC) Linthea Visser (HDC) Alejandro Cifuentes (WRC) Rick Liefting (WRC) and Whitney Mills (WRC).

The items on the agenda were:

- 1) To receive the findings of the Community Survey
- 2) For the community panel to get clarity over which council is responsible for what in terms of river flooding, river management, storm water and drainage (rivers and drainage)
- 3) To come up with a way forward to address rivers and drainage issues over the short term

Unfortunately, the night we were to meet, Level 4 lockdown was announced and the responsible decision taken by Mayor Toby Adams and our panel to postpone our meeting until it was safe to undertake our discussions.

We have now been in lockdown for 2 weeks and are anticipating going to Level 3 next week, so the physical 'meeting of minds' may be delayed. So as not to slow our project down too much, We are of the mind that we will resort to technology and arrange a Zoom meeting to get the process moving again.

In short, we have nothing further to report this month, with technology on our side we hope to have some news for the September issue.

Stay safe, look after your bubble and we will be in touch.

