

Community Board Discretionary Fund

TO	Tairua-Pauanui Community Board
FROM	Lorna Price - Community Coordinator Tairua-Pauanui
DATE	18 September 2014
SUBJECT	Community Board Discretionary Fund

1 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to confirm the use of a portion of the Tairua-Pauanui Community Board Discretionary Fund.

2 Background

The aim of the Hikuai District Trust is to construct a walkway/cycleway 'trail' along the coastal margin of the Tairua estuary between Pauanui and Tairua. The first stage was completed some time ago by the Hopper family. This trail will provide a safe, unique and adventurous experience for residents, holiday makers and tourists to explore the estuary, saltmarsh and wetland area, home to a profusion of bird and plant life.

The Hikuai District Trust applied for a Tairua-Pauanui Community Board Community Grant at its 8 September 2014 meeting. The Board considered the application and deemed that it did not meet the criteria for a community grant and resolved that the Hikuai District Trust make an application to the discretionary fund to assist with funding for the Pauanui Tairua Trail project.

3 Issue

This application (**Attachment A**) is for funding for Section 2.1 of the trail, of 450 metres along the marginal strip administered by TCDC and adjacent to the campground. It will consist of a metalled trail built by a small digger team and will create a path branching off from the existing boardwalk section to form a loop track along this very heavily used area, over a flat to easy contour trail through a wilding pine forest with a mixture of native and exotic shrub species. This loop trail will appeal to families with young children or those who only want a walk of approximately a kilometer. This portion of the trail will join to the existing 750 metres of trail already completed.

4 Discussion

To confirm \$6,300 toward the cost of construction of this trail, noting that the labour and equipment costs associated with the construction for this portion of the trail will be at no charge.

5 Suggested Resolution(s)

That the Tairua-Pauanui Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Allocates an amount of \$6,300 from its 2014/15 discretionary fund of \$20,000 toward the construction of Section 2.1 of the Pauanui Tairua Trail.

References-Tabled/Agenda Attachments

Attachment A *Application from the Hikuai District Trust for funding from the Discretionary Fund*

Attachment A - Application by Hikuai District Trust for funding from t...