



# Te Tari o te Kahika o Te Hiku o te Ika

## Office of the Mayor of the Far North

### PŪRONGO Ā-MEMA | MEMBER'S REPORT

**MAYOR MOKO TEPANIA | AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2026**

| DATE                     | MEETING TOPIC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| 25/08/26                 | Long Term Plan Workshop<br>Northland Taniwha – Ranfurly Shield Welcome to Kaikohe                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 26/08/26                 | Chief Executive & Legal Catchup                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 27/08/26                 | Newstalk ZB Interview<br>Council Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 28/08/26<br>DAFFODIL DAY | Mauri Ora Mai Tawhito Wānanga<br>Te Ahu Centre                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 29/08/26                 | Toiere Opera                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 31/08/26                 | Northland Mayoral Forum<br>Northland NZ Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 02/09/26                 | Chief Executive Weekly Catchup<br>Office of the Mayor Catchup                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 07/09/26                 | Meeting with China's Consul General Chen<br>Northland Waters Shareholders Representative Group (SRG)                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 08/09/26                 | Te Huia Committee for Chief Executive Performance                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 10/09/26                 | Resource Management Law Association Conference Opening<br>Governance Options: Strengthening Assurance and Public Confidence Workshop<br>Chief Executive Weekly Catchup                                                                                                    |
| 11/09/26                 | Roading Portfolio Meeting<br>NZSL Club Trust Catchup                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 14/09/26                 | NZ Herald Election Interview<br>Mayoral Engagement with Mayors Taskforce for Jobs (MTFJ) Rangatahi<br>Media and Comms Catchup<br>Youth Education and Leadership Pathway Portfolio Meeting<br>Agenda Preview for Northland Mayoral Forum<br>Chief Executive Weekly Catchup |
| 15/09/26                 | Volunteer Briefing for Hīkoi<br>Te Kuaka Committee for Māori Strategic Relationships<br>Chairs Agenda Preview                                                                                                                                                             |
| 16/09/26                 | LGNZ Briefing – Head Start Announcements<br>Te Wiki o te Reo Māori Hīkoi<br>Te Koukou Committee for Transport & Infrastructure                                                                                                                                            |
| 17/09/26                 | Northland Waters SRG Briefing<br>Far North Business & Agency Monthly Hui<br>Long Term Plan Workshop                                                                                                                                                                       |



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| 18/09/26 | Comms Prep<br>NZTA Renewal Programme Hui<br>Northland NZ Catchup                                                                                                                        |
| 21/09/26 | Cadetship Pōwhiri<br>Ngā Manu Kōrero Nationals Pōwhiri                                                                                                                                  |
| 22/09/26 | Ngā Manu Kōrero Nationals Senior Prepared Speeches<br>Long Term Plan Workshop<br>LGNZ Briefing with Minister of Local Government<br>Ngā Manu Kōrero Nationals Senior Impromptu Speeches |
| 23/09/26 | Checkin Session for PX Item 8.3 11 Matthews Ave, Kaitāia<br>MTFJ Contract Q&A Mayors Meeting                                                                                            |
| 24/09/26 | Formal Council Meeting                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 25/09/26 | Meeting with Far North & Whangārei Holdings<br>Joint Regional Economic Development Committee<br>Northland Mayoral Forum<br>International Rally of Whangārei                             |

#### **Portfolio Updates:**

##### **Mayors Taskforce for Jobs**

MTFJ NZ and the Ministry of Social Development have finalised this year's contract and the Far North is lined up to receive \$180,000 to support rangatahi into mahi with 24 sustainable employment outcomes the focus.

##### **Northland Mayoral Forum**

Meetings have focussed on regional kaupapa such as local government reform, planning reform, waters reform and the opportunities available to advocate on behalf of the region with the upcoming election.

##### **Northland Waters**

The Northland Waters Shareholders Representative Group have almost finalised the Statement of Expectations for the company which will then go to each council table for formal sign off. Northland Waters have now appointed a Chief Executive, Kate Simmonds who starts next month.

##### **Community Trust, Participation & Engagement Portfolio**

Have not met over the past two calendar months with other meetings taking priority to reshuffle formal meetings calendar. Will be meeting in the next month.

For the agenda at the next meeting:

- Microphones for Chambers (due for installation in October)
- Welcome to Far North Signage for SH1 Entrance
- State of the Far North 2027