

CONFIRMED MINUTES

ARAFB BUSINESS MEETING

At the **ARAFB Business Meeting** on **17 Jun 2025** these minutes were **confirmed as presented**.

Name:	Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board - Te Poari ā-Takiwā Tuku Pūtea Taonga Whakaahuru
Date:	Tuesday, 15 April 2025
Time:	10:00 am to 10:14 am (NZST)
Location:	Offices of Buddle Findlay (Primary Location), Level 18, 188 Quay Street, Auckland 1010
Board Members:	Victoria Carter ONZM (Chair), Alastair Carruthers CNZM, Jonny Gritt, Linda Cooper MNZM, CMInstD., Moana Tamaariki-Pohe MNZM, Paul Evans, Paula Browning CMInstD, Deputy Chair, Ravi Nyayapati, Scott Pearson
Attendees:	Bree Torkington
Apologies:	Penelope Peebles
Guests:	Kent Beasley, Director of Finance, New Zealand Opera
Notes:	Funding Board meets to fix levy for 2025-2026.

1. Opening Meeting

1.1 Opening Karakia

Paul Evans opened the meeting with a karakia.

1.2 Apologies



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

A. Accept the apology from Penelope Peebles for absence.

Decision Date:	15 Apr 2025
Mover:	Victoria Carter ONZM
Seconder:	Linda Cooper MNZM, CMInstD.
Outcome:	Approved

1.3 Confirm Minutes

ARAFB Business Meeting, incl. Public Submissions 11 Feb 2025, the minutes were confirmed as presented.



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Confirm the ordinary minutes of the meeting of the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board held on 11 February 2025 as a true and correct record.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Jonny Gritt
Seconder: Ravi Nyayapati
Outcome: Approved

1.4 Extraordinary Business

There were no extraordinary items of business.

1.5 Interests Register



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Receive the Register of Members Interests, noting that further updates will be provided to the Advisory Officer.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Moana Tamaariki-Pohe MNZM
Seconder: Linda Cooper MNZM, CMInstD.
Outcome: Approved

1.6 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

2. Presentations to the Board

2.1 Public Forum

There was no Public Forum, as no requests to address the meeting were received.

3. Board Activities Since Last Meeting

3.1 Chairperson's Report



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Note the verbal update from the Chairperson.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Paul Evans
Seconder: Jonny Gritt
Outcome: Approved

3.2 Members Activities With Specified Amenities and Board Member Reports



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Receive verbal updates to Members Activities with the Specified Amenities and instruct the Advisory Officer to update the register of activities and gifts with these details.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Alastair Carruthers CNZM
Seconder: Ravi Nyayapati
Outcome: Approved

4. Management Reports

4.1 Advisory Officer's Report



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Note the verbal update from the Advisory Officer.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Victoria Carter ONZM
Seconder: Paula Browning CMIInstD, Deputy Chair
Outcome: Approved

4.2 Finance Report



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Receive the Finance Report to 28 February 2025.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Scott Pearson
Seconder: Ravi Nyayapati
Outcome: Approved



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Review and approve the Delegated Authorities and Approvals.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Paul Evans
Seconder: Jonny Gritt
Outcome: Approved

5. 2025-2026 Funding Plan and Levy

5.1 Restate item 2.1 resolutions from 11 Feb 2025 Confidential meeting

5.2 Adopt 2025-2026 Funding Plan and fix levy



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Approve the allocation of grants to the seven Specified Amenities as:

Auckland Festival Trust	\$4,300,000
Auckland Philharmonia Trust	\$4,998,000
Auckland Theatre Company Limited	\$2,450,000
New Zealand Opera Limited	\$1,305,360
Stardome (Auckland Observatory and Planetarium Trust)	\$1,617,100
Surf Life Saving Northern Region Inc.	\$2,080,000
Watersafe Auckland Inc (t/a Drowning Prevention Auckland)	\$1,421,444
Total Grants to Specified Amenities	\$18,171,904
Funding Board Administrative Budget	\$378,750
TOTAL LEVY PAYABLE BY AUCKLAND COUNCIL	\$18,550,654

- B. Confirm the total levy requirement for 2025-2026 from Auckland Council as \$18,550,654
- C. Instruct the Advisory Officer to advise Auckland Council of the total levy requirement for 2025-2026 by 30 April 2025, in accordance with the provisions in the Act.
- D. Adopt the 2025-2026 Funding Plan, subject to the Chairperson and Deputy Chair being authorised to make any editorial changes necessary to finalise the plan.
- E. Instruct the Advisory Officer to distribute the final 2025-2026 Funding Plan in accordance with the provisions in the Act.
- F. Instruct the Advisory Officer to draft (for the Chairperson to sign) letters to each of the Specified Amenities listed in A., advising their approved grant allocation.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Scott Pearson
Seconder: Paul Evans
Outcome: Approved

6. Exclusion of the Public

6.1 Exclusion of Public: Local Government Official Information & Meetings Act



That the Auckland Regional Amenities Funding Board:

- A. Agree that the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting. The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows. This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:
 - i. C1.1 Minutes of a Confidential Meeting Held on 11 February 2025.

Decision Date: 15 Apr 2025
Mover: Jonny Gritt
Seconder: Paula Browning CMIInstD, Deputy Chair
Outcome: Approved

6.2 Minutes of a Confidential Meeting held on 11 February 2025

7. Close Meeting

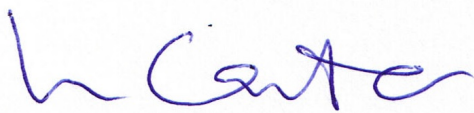
7.1 Close the meeting

Next meeting: ARAFB Business Meeting - 17 Jun 2025, 10:00 am

A closing karakia was conducted at the Confidential Meeting which followed.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 10.14am.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AT A MEETING OF THE AUCKLAND REGIONAL AMENITIES FUNDING BOARD HELD ON 15 APRIL 2025:



Victoria Carter ONZM
19 Jun 2025