



# **APPENDICES MINUTES**

**Paraparaumu Community Board  
Meeting**

**Tuesday, 17 June 2025**



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## Supporting the Reinstallation of the Paraparaumu Memorial to Captain Val Sanderson



Captain Val Sanderson (photo supplied by his niece, Nancy Jordan)

Captain Val Sanderson was an instigator and founding member of the Royal Forest & Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated. He led the society in its formative years being the society's first secretary from its creation in 1923, and later its President from 1933, while a resident of Kāpiti.





Captain Sanderson was spurred into acting to save nature because of the state of Kapiti Island which he could see from his home. Kapiti had been made a forest and bird reserve under the Kapiti Island Public Reserve Act in 1897. Parliamentarians had then considered the island important enough to save for its biodiversity. However, after visiting the island seventeen years after this act was passed, just before he went to fight in the First World War, Sanderson was appalled to see how little had been done to protect native flora and fauna, and how the island was overrun by introduced species. On his return from war, he was incensed that the situation had deteriorated further and set out to embarrass officials into taking appropriate action to protect the reserved area. He got results with the appointment of a possum trapper and a caretaker to get rid of wild goats, along with appropriate fencing put in place. Sanderson looked locally and acted locally, but it just so happened that to get appropriate action, he had to lobby nationally. His success got him thinking about wider environmental issues and how the treasures of New Zealand's bush – which had sustained so many soldiers with thoughts of home in World War One – were in danger of being destroyed by what he called 'the ignorant and the vandal... as it might have been destroyed by the enemy, we fought so hard to exclude'. These were his words in his address at the formation of our Society in 1923. If he needed more convincing, rumour of sightings of Huia in the Akatarawas in 1924, drove him on. Alas none were found and the extinction of huia is a terrible warning of what we may lose if we don't stand up and act.

In March 1923, at the time of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of our society, the Paraparaumu plaque commemorating Captain Val Sanderson was installed.



The Paraparaumu Sanderson Plaque (photo before removal from previous Maclean Park location)





Initially the plaque was installed at the rest area on what is currently called old SH1 between Lindale and the Otaihanga Roundabout. At that time there were splendid views of Kāpiti which made it an appropriate location (now there are tall conifers blocking this view).



Original opening of the Sanderson Memorial on Old SH1, Paraparaumu, 1973

The memorial had to be moved to make way for the building of Old SH1 and the decision was made to place it in Maclean Park, Paraparaumu where the view still provided connection to Kāpiti Island.

Due to plans for the Kapiti Gateway programme, and work required on the nearby section of the Tikotu Stream in 2021, the plaque and its boulder again had to be moved. The plaque has been stored since that time in Forest & Bird’s central archives for safekeeping. At this time, it was realised that restoration would be required before the plaque could be reinstated but no progress was made because there was no safe place to reinstall it. Now that the redevelopment of this part of Maclean Park is complete, it can now be reinstated, and this grant application is to enable the refurbishment of the plaque to be completed in preparation for its new placement.

We would be most grateful if the Paraparaumu Community Board will grant our application for the funding required to restore the plaque to its former glory.





It is suggested that the boulder (which is currently on its wrong side right next to the carpark), be moved and stood as it once did, facing Kāpiti Island, next to the new pathway to the beach from Maclean Park, and opposite the plaque concerning the epic swim of Hinepoupou across Cook Strait to D’Urville Island.



Boulder without plaque, on wrong side, in current location in Maclean Park, Paraparaumu





Suggested location for reinstatement is in front of the. Post and Rope fence, opposite the Hinepoupou Rock and Memorial. This photo was taken from in front of the silver car in the previous photo.

We hope the Paraparaumu Community Board will look favourably on our request for funding and thank you for giving it your consideration.

Pene Burton Bell  
Chair of the Kāpiti-Mana Branch of Forest and Bird





Kapiti Coast Trails Trust  
Paraparauumu perspective

**SAVE THE DATE**

Saturday  
**23rd AUGUST**  
Time: 10 am - 4 pm  
Venue: Te Raukura ki Kāpiti

**TE HUI AHUREA KANORAU**  
**THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY FESTIVAL**

**JOIN US CELEBRATE**  
another cultural diversity day  
in Kāpiti

# Paraparaumu Metropolitan Centre Draft Principles

DRAFT PRINCIPLES (TO GUIDE ACTIONS)	RATIONALE
<p><b>1. Shape development around the natural environment; including a restored Wharemauku Stream along with its tributaries and wetlands.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An enhanced natural environment reinforces Paraparaumu’s identity.</li> <li>• The Wharemauku Stream occupies a central location.</li> <li>• Waterways provide off-street pathways that augment existing movement networks.</li> <li>• Currently, the stream and its tributaries are heavily modified and offer little amenity</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. Introduce smaller block sizes and a walkable structure enabling diverse use patterns to support a more vibrant urban environment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Densely built-up areas typically require more frequent pathways and smaller blocks.</li> <li>• The Coastlands superblock contains no public thoroughfares.</li> <li>• On-site circulation routes indicate possible locations for future streets.</li> <li>• Iver Trask Place and Rimu Road provide incipient north-south and east-west axes.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3. Improve connections to create a high-amenity environment for walking and other active modes.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Metropolitan Centre has evolved to serve motorists rather than pedestrians.</li> <li>• Outdoor pedestrian routes are currently unattractive and disconnected.</li> <li>• People visit a town centre in order to do things - not just to buy things.</li> <li>• Walking is an essential part of any town centre experience.</li> <li>• New civic spaces will help organise the metropolitan centre.</li> <li>• Improving connections, including public transport benefits accessibility.</li> </ul>
<p><b>4. Integrate the Coastlands area with planned mixed-use development to the west.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Metropolitan Zone extends from Old State Highway One / Amohia Street to the Kāpiti Expressway.</li> <li>• Proposed development will more than double the footprint of metro centre activity.</li> <li>• New streets and open spaces can increase connectivity and amenity within the Metropolitan Centre.</li> <li>• Mixed-use can expand the commercial offer and complement existing Metropolitan Centre experiences.</li> <li>• All land holdings, including Council land, between Coastlands and proposed development will contribute.</li> </ul>
<p><b>5. Integrate high-density and medium density housing to support a vibrant mixed-use Metropolitan Centre.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The area of developable land exceeds that required for purely commercial activity.</li> <li>• Currently, few people live within easy walking distance of the Metropolitan Centre.</li> <li>• Residents in the Metropolitan Centre support commercial including retail, hospitality and the nighttime economy.</li> <li>• As services and amenities improve, the Metropolitan Centre becomes an ideal location for high density urban living</li> </ul>
<p><b>6. Expand employment options by attracting more office jobs to the Metropolitan Centre.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently, the metropolitan centre has a limited supply of commercial office space</li> <li>• Many existing offices are located in light industrial areas with poor amenity.</li> <li>• Modern, high-quality office accommodation helps to attract jobs.</li> <li>• Workers support metropolitan centre retail businesses.</li> <li>• Mature metropolitan centres offer living and working opportunities in close proximity</li> </ul>

## Paraparaumu Metropolitan Centre and surrounding area



# Paraparaumu existing activities

