



2026 AGM Minutes

Date	20 August 2026
Location	Akitio Fishing Club
Time	Meeting opened 6:06pm
Attendees	Simon Hales (Chair), Tim Henricksen (Treasurer), Board Members -Katie Renner, Mike Reid, Rachel Joblin, Rebecca Hunink. June Mobley (Administrator),Rebecca Greaves (Communications Coordinator),Nicole Read (Enviroschool Coordinator & Catchment Leader),Ian Healey, Trudy Hales and Mark Wheeler (Catchment Leaders) Jo Crosse, Alfred Alabaster, Phil Minto, Alastair Cole, Fiona Ramsden, Tracey & Ming Sorenson, Jo Eastwood, Angus McLanachan, Hugh Ramsden, Bill F, Dean Moynihan, Darren Pariato, Chris Corlett, Alex Renner, Alistair, John Hart, Hamish Crosse, Willy & Sarah Fountaine, Matt Radford and Jamie Pickens
Apologies	Claire Mills, Richard Greaves, Rob and Sharyn Kjestrup, Claire Powell, Finlay Gordon, Noel Bell, Tracey Hunt,Jason Ellmers, Gordon Ellmers & Chris & Angela Pullen.

Agenda Item	Minutes
Meeting Opening •Welcome •Meeting Minutes from last AGM •Interest Register	Chairperson Simon Hales welcomed everyone to the meeting. Meeting minutes from previous AGM taken as read and accepted. Moved: Katie Renner Seconded: Rebecca Hunink Carried
Chairperson Report	Simon Hales delivered his Chairperson report (see appendix1) Motion report is accepted. Moved: Tim Henricksen Seconded: Rachel Joblin All in favour
Trasurer Report	Tim Henricksen delivered the Financial Report (see appendix 2) Motion report is accepted. Moved: Rachel Joblin Seconded: Sarah Fountaine All in favour
Board resignation and replacement election.	Katie's resignation. The Board formally acknowledged Katie's resignation and thanked her for her contribution, support and service during PPCC's establishment and development. Replacement process. Two nominees were identified: Phil Minto, associated with the Ōwahanga catchment, and Rebecca Greaves, associated with Lower Ākitio. The Board agreed the voting should be conducted electronically among members before the AGM rather than by a show of hands at the meeting.

	The Chair announced the voting result, confirming Phil Minto as the new Board Member. Result: Carried
General Business	No General Business Meeting Closed 6:36pm Followed by the Pest Monitoring Program

I confirm that these minutes are a true and accurate record of the Annual General Meeting

Confirmed by:

Chair Person _____

Name Simon Hales

Date _____

Appendix 1 – Chair Report

Chairperson's Report 2026

Firstly, I would like to welcome all our members and other guests here today. It is great to see you here and I appreciate you taking the time to attend.

It has been another very productive year for the Puketoi to the Pacific Catchment Collective (PPCC), and I am proud of what we have achieved together.

I would like to begin by thanking our operations team for all their hard work and commitment throughout the year. A lot of the work that goes on behind the scenes is not always visible, but it is essential to keeping PPCC moving forward and supporting our catchment groups.

Operations Team

This year we said goodbye to our Catchment Coordinator, Lynda Balfour. Lynda was a huge asset to PPCC, and the connections and relationships she built during her time with us have left us in a very strong position. Her “let’s get it done” attitude was a real strength, and she helped establish many of the foundations that are now enabling our catchment groups to deliver the outcomes their members want.

Following Lynda’s departure, the board and operations team have decided that, for now, we will not fill the coordinator role. Instead, we will contract project managers with the specific skills and knowledge required to deliver individual projects. Our pest monitoring project is a good example of how this approach can work effectively.

We will continue with this model while we finalise our medium-term strategy. This will give us greater clarity around what PPCC needs from a Coordinator role, if one is required in the future, and ensure that any future role is designed around the needs of our catchment groups.

June, your hard work and dedication have once again been outstanding. Your no-nonsense manner and vast understanding of catchment groups have helped us get through what has been a very busy year behind the scenes. You have seamlessly filled many of the gaps left when Lynda moved on, and I really appreciate the support you provide.

The standard of your reporting has also been excellent, something that has been recognised not only by the board but also by our funders. I really appreciate the effort you put into this, and the way it helps PPCC operate with a high level of professionalism and transparency. That work is an important part of maintaining the confidence of our funders and showing clearly what we are delivering across the collective.

I always look forward to our weekly catchups, and I appreciate your passion, knowledge and willingness to get stuck in and get things done.

Nicole has once again been doing some great work with Weber and Pongaroa Schools. The EnviroSchools programme is going from strength to strength, and it is fantastic to see the photos and hear directly from the kids about all the great things they have been doing.

Working alongside Rangitāne at Weber School has also been a great opportunity to strengthen our relationships with iwi and has helped open up some exciting opportunities for the future.



We have also welcomed Sarah Fountaine onto the team to assist with our push to find alternative funding streams. This will be important in helping us deliver projects and initiatives that sit outside our core MPI funding.

Sarah has already demonstrated the value of her knowledge and networks in this area, and our awesome BBQ trailer is just one example of what can come from thinking differently about how we generate funding and support for our catchment groups.

It has also been a huge benefit having Bec's dedicated to communications this year. We have had some great coverage of our events through our Facebook page, along with related stories in the media.

I have always believed that we need to show people what we are doing and talk about the good work happening across our catchments. This not only helps drive engagement but also allows potential partners and funders to see the value we are delivering.

I encourage anyone here who does not already follow PPCC on Facebook to do so, and to have a look through our website. It is a great way to keep up to date with what we are doing and, hopefully, it may also inspire some ideas that you can take back to your own catchment group.

Board

I would also like to thank all our board members for the time, energy and commitment they have given to PPCC over the last year. The work and thought that goes into supporting the collective is greatly appreciated.

I would particularly like to acknowledge Katie Renner, who is stepping down from the board. Katie has been a great advocate for the Owahanga Catchment, and I would like to thank Katie for the time and energy she has given to PPCC and for the contribution she has made during her time on the board. I wish her all the best for the future and thank her for everything she has done for the collective.

Catchment Groups

I would like to thank our catchment leaders — Ian, Trudy, Nicole and Mark — for the work they have put in throughout the year. The catchment groups are at the heart of what PPCC is about, and our role is to support them to deliver the things that matter to their members.

A reminder to all members that if you have a project, idea or something happening in your area that you would like your catchment group to help with, please contact your catchment leader. The more we understand what our members want and need, the better we can support our catchments.

I would also like to specifically thank Trudy, who will be stepping down as the Upper Akitio Catchment Group leader. Trudy has made a significant contribution to both the Upper Akitio group and PPCC, and I would like to thank her for the time and effort she has put in.

There will be a catchment meeting where a successor will be discussed, and I look forward to seeing the Upper Akitio group continue to move forward.

What We Have Delivered

The numbers behind our work this year demonstrate the growth in activity across PPCC. Membership has increased from 69 to 110. This year we delivered a number of community engagement events, including the Lower Akitio Driftwood clean-up and Matariki celebration,



First Aid courses, the Upper Akitio Ag Innovations event, CarbonCrop landowner visits, a wetland session in Lower Akitio, Bingo with Te Radar, the 4 Mile Bush tidy-up and the Wainui working bee for signs and monument clean-up.

We collected 150 water samples across the catchments, providing valuable information about the health of our waterways. This helps us to better understand our river catchments and provides valuable data to help inform future decision-making.

A major achievement this year has been the rollout of our pest monitoring programme across the entire PPCC collective. This is a significant project for PPCC and one that has involved considerable work across all four catchments. The results and findings from this programme will be presented later tonight, and I look forward to everyone having the opportunity to see what has been achieved.

We also completed four fish passage projects in partnership with Horizons Regional Council, helping to improve fish passage and connectivity within our waterways.

The work we have delivered this year has also been supported by a significant contribution of 1,224 hours of in-kind time from our operations team, board members, farmers and stakeholders.

This snapshot gives a good indication of the amount of work being undertaken across the collective and the commitment of the people involved.

Funding and Support

A huge thank you to MPI for your continued support. As our major funder, we simply could not do what we do without you.

I would also like to acknowledge the support we have received through Wai-Connections over the last two years. That funding has now come to an end, but it has made a significant contribution to what PPCC, and our catchment groups have been able to deliver. It has supported our team, enabled projects across our catchments and provided opportunities for our catchment groups and schools that we may not otherwise have been able to deliver.

A special thanks must also go to Alister Cole for your continued help and support throughout the year. Your assistance is genuinely appreciated.

To all our other stakeholders and supporters, thank you for continuing to believe in what we are trying to achieve. Having people and organisations willing to support us, work alongside us and help when they can is incredibly valuable.

Looking Ahead

We are entering a period of change, particularly with the news that our major funder, MPI, intends to change the way it funds catchment groups. The proposed model is likely to involve funding catchment groups through larger regional collectives, rather than through the model we have become accustomed to.

Under our current funding model, our final milestone payment is due in November 2027, which funds our operations through until April 2028. This gives us some time to understand what the proposed changes may look like and, importantly, to make sure we are in a strong position to respond to them.



Change can obviously bring uncertainty, however the board feels we should be looking at the opportunities it could create for our catchment groups and for PPCC.

With this in mind, the board is investigating what this looks like going forward for us and our neighbouring collectives.

PPCC has built a strong foundation over the past two years, and we are in a good position to adapt to whatever changes come our way while continuing to focus on what matters most — supporting our catchment groups to achieve the outcomes they want for their land, waterways and communities.

I look forward to continuing that work with you all.

Simon Hales
PPCC – Chairperson

Appendix 2 – Treasurer Report

PPCC AGM Treasurer's Report

Good evening and welcome to PPCC AGM Treasurer's Report.

Firstly, I'd like to thank June for her expertise and keeping our books immaculate and a very good budget. For transparency all our financials are up on the PPCC Website.

We have to send reports to MPI and other funding agencies on how the money is spent. As well making sure we spend the money timely in milestones so we can get more money. For those that don't know most of our funding comes from government grants, \$277,570 and this year we've brought in Sarah Fountain to help as a grants guru to try get more for you.

Specific Spending to Milestone

Some of these grants have specific guidelines on how we can use them, such as Wai Connections funding on **fish passage**.

We try get these to help get the knowledge to help you our members

Carbon crop - \$21,250 it's free to members,

There to help you understand what ETS you have, if you want to go ahead to get the carbon units then we will point you in the right direction but not do that work.

Enviro schools - \$20,000 with our enthusiastic leader Nicole we think this is a great way to teach our young community, knowledge and understanding of making our catchment greater. Hopefully, some ideas get through to elders in the community as well.

Pest control - \$16,000 as far as we know there is a big problem around the county and by getting the community involved, we can make a difference. This is our big-ticket item this year and the budget shows this.

Water Testing - \$12,000 This is ongoing and will be the same coatings for the next few years. We will slowly build a picture of data for a fall back of knowledge.

Communication - \$12,900. this needs to be kept pumping our story, as our good we are doing needs to be out there as this helps us get more funding.

Community events/ field days - \$7,500. Do we need more of these, What do you as members want to have knowledge help with?

It's always good to have new ideas and do this through your catchment leaders.

From our budgeting there was a surplus of \$13,000 great work with that June,

Treasurer Report delivered by Tim Henrickson

