

When: Monday, 8 December 2025

1-3pm

Where: Rototuna Library, 30 North City Road, Hamilton, Waikato 3281

or Online (MS Teams)

Purpose: An opportunity to build relationships and share knowledge and information in

support of rural transport initiatives and projects in the Waikato region.

Agenda Facilitator: Sarah Gibb

1. Opening Karakia & housekeeping

- 2. Round of Introductions name and organisation
- 3. National Road Carriers Association (Amanda Henton, Guest Speaker)
 - Overview of the National Road Carriers and benefits of membership
- 4. Auto Transform (Joshua Stanners, Guest Speaker)
 - Practical Solutions to help ensure a fit-for-purpose vehicle
- 5. General update from Te Whatu Ora
- 6. WRC Community Transport update (Amantha Bowen)
- 7. Roundtable updates
- 8. Anything else open to the Forum
- 9. Closing Karakia & reminders (badges)

Upcoming 2026 forum dates:

16 March

15 June

21 September

7 December

Any queries, please contact Amantha Bowen or Yvonne Mariano at communitytransport@waikatoregion.govt.nz



Karakia

Opening:

Whakataka te hau ki te uru Whakataka te hau ki te tonga Kia mākinakina ki uta, Kia mātaratara ki tai E hī ake ana te atakura He tio He huka He hau hū Tīhei mauri ora! Cease o winds from the west
Cease o winds from the south
Bring calm breezes over the land
Bring calm breezes over the sea
And let the red-tipped dawn come
With a touch of frost,
A sharpened air
And promise of a glorious day
Behold we live

Closing:

Unuhia, unuhia
Unuhia mai te uru tapu nui
Kia wātea, kia māmā,
te ngākau, te tinana, te hinengaro,
i te ara takatū
Koia rā e Rongo
E whakairia ake ki runga
kia tina! Tina!
Haumi ē, hui ē, tāiki ē!

Draw on, draw on,
Draw on the supreme sacredness
To clear, to free
our heart, body and soul
Our pathway prepared
Lo, there is peace
suspended high above
Manifest!
Draw together!
Affirm!

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