

Paihia Community Survey 2015

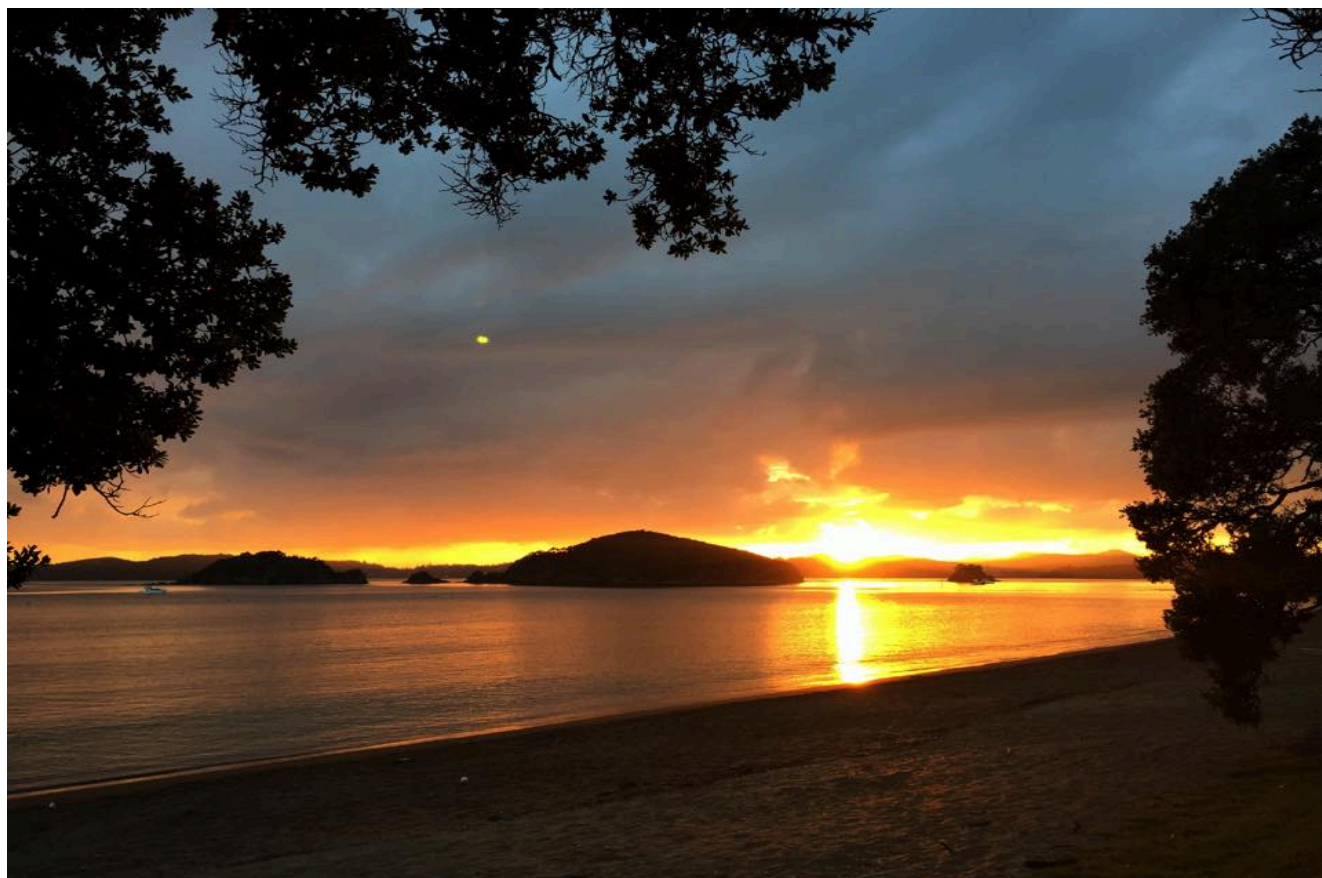
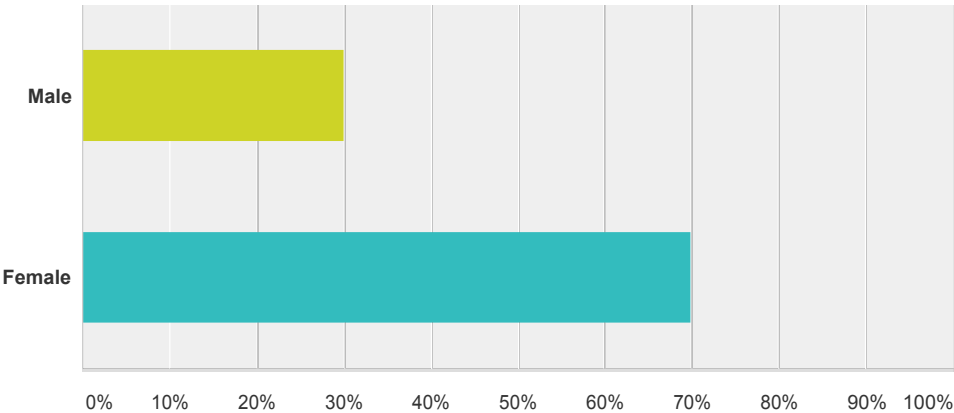


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Q1 Are you male or female?

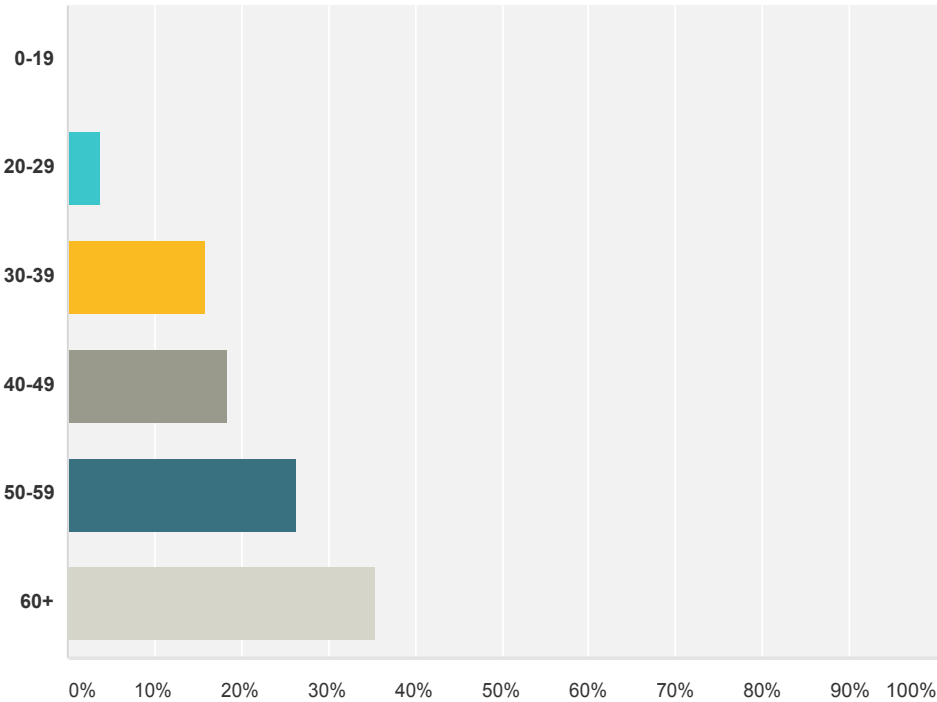
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Male	30.34%	71
Female	69.66%	163
Total		234

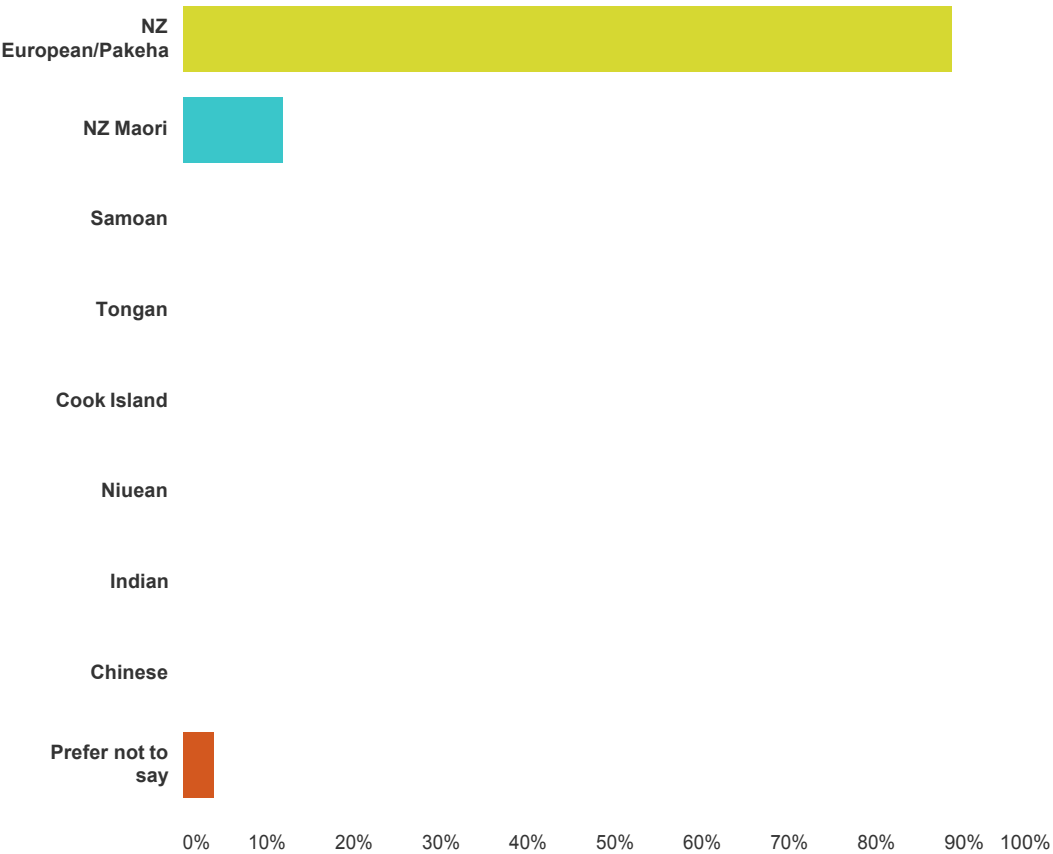
Q2 Which age group do you belong to?

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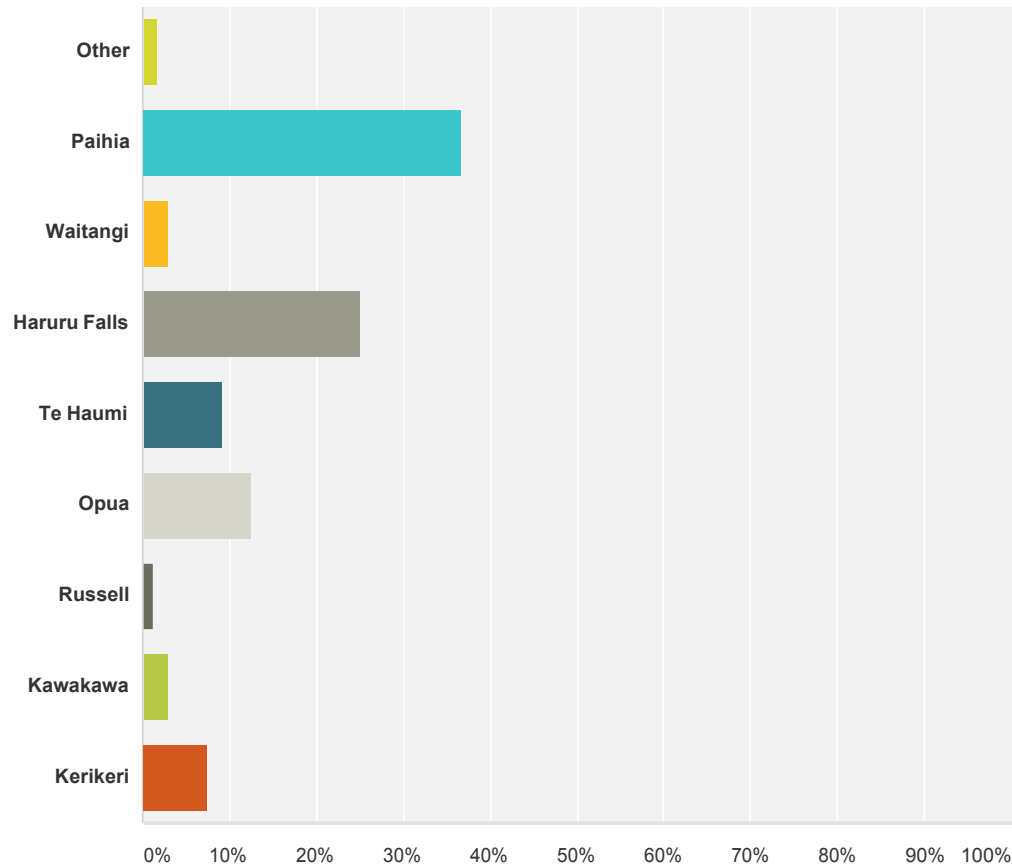
**Q3 Which ethnic groups do you belong to?
(you may select more than one)**

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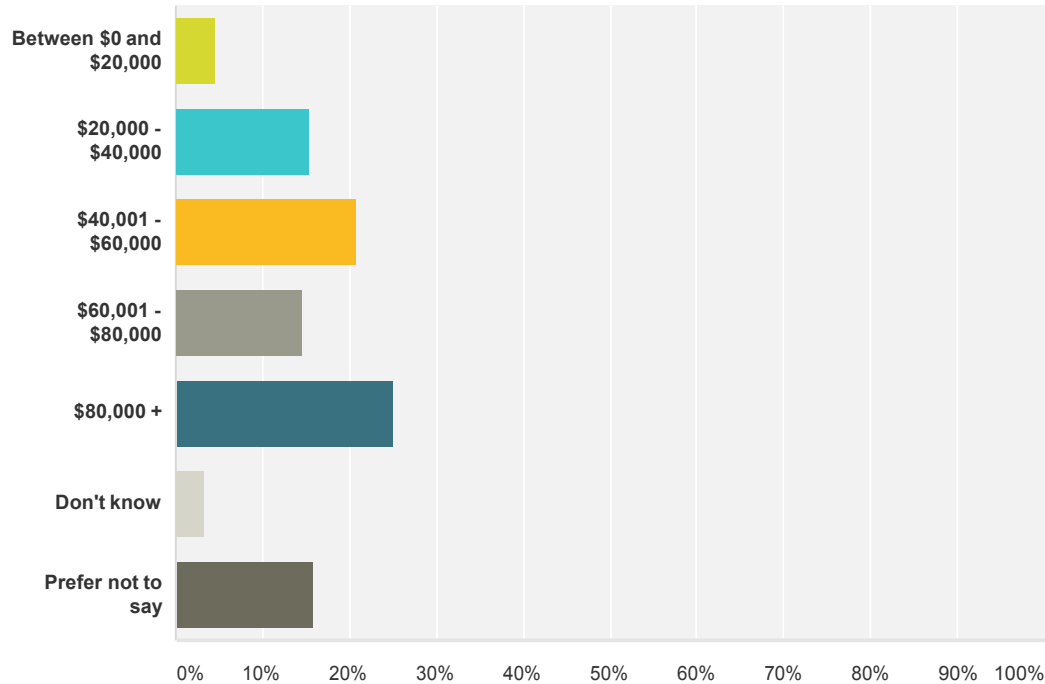
Q4 In which area do you live?

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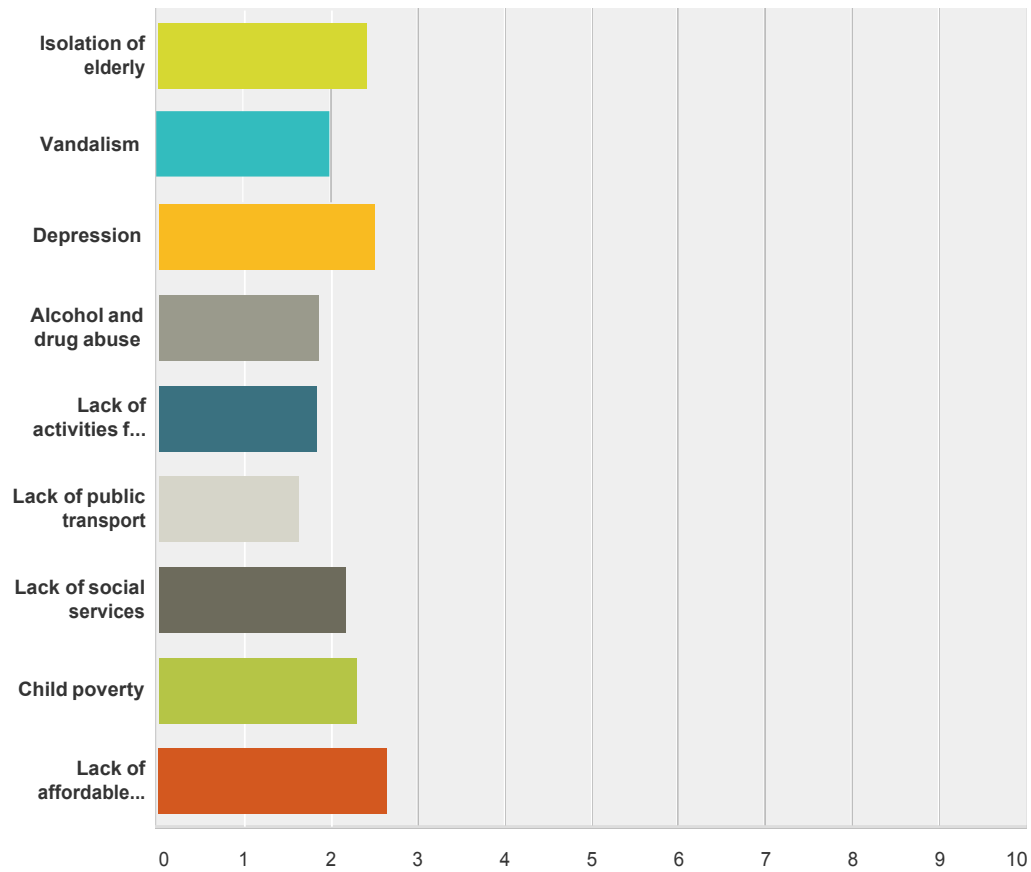
Q5 Into which of these groups does your total Household income fall before tax?

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Q6 Below are some issues that have been identified as relevant to our community. Please indicate how strongly you agree that these are issues our community faces.

Answered: 239 Skipped: 2



	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree	N/A	Total	Weighted Average
Isolation of elderly	16.39% 39	36.55% 87	31.09% 74	7.98% 19	2.94% 7	5.04% 12	238	2.42
Vandalism	31.09% 74	42.44% 101	14.29% 34	6.72% 16	1.26% 3	4.20% 10	238	2.00
Depression	9.62% 23	35.56% 85	39.33% 94	5.44% 13	1.67% 4	8.37% 20	239	2.50
Alcohol and drug abuse	33.47% 80	48.54% 116	10.88% 26	2.09% 5	1.26% 3	3.77% 9	239	1.85
Lack of activities for youth	41.84% 100	36.40% 87	14.23% 34	5.02% 12	0.42% 1	2.09% 5	239	1.83
Lack of public transport	54.81% 131	28.45% 68	10.88% 26	2.93% 7	0.42% 1	2.51% 6	239	1.62
Lack of social services	26.36% 63	33.89% 81	29.71% 71	5.86% 14	0.84% 2	3.35% 8	239	2.18
Child poverty	21.43% 51	35.29% 84	27.31% 65	6.72% 16	2.94% 7	6.30% 15	238	2.30
Lack of affordable child care	10.88% 26	21.76% 52	46.44% 111	7.53% 18	2.93% 7	10.46% 25	239	2.66

Q7 What do you think are the other issues for our community?

Answered: 104 Skipped: 137

#	Responses	
1	all weather activities , Museum and History interpretation	
2	We need more entertainment for visitors so Paihia becomes a destination of choice. ie- more business more income and jobs Need additional exits out of town current exits are not safe if there is a disaster	
3	Youth crime /gangs	
4	overcrowding of CBD Too many buildings crammed on to many small sections, not enough green verges	
5	Break Down of families no role models for youth and children	
6	lack of community and social services in Paihia Impossible for people to get to Kerikeri or kawakawa	
7	safe walk from Haururu Falls on HWAY	
8	NO COURSES SPORTS	
9	not really be able to comment but feel any type of project involving our young people to learn and grow and keep the community spirit is great	
10	bad lighting corner of Marsden No sense of community Environment	
11	The one issue which is head and shoulders above any other not just locally but nationally and internationally is the 'supposed' shortage of money. There is no real shortage of money the supposed shortage of money is the way In which money is created. All money comes into existence as DEBT created as loans by Private Banks such as WORSTPACK. When banks create loans (DEBT, they create only ' THE PRINCIPAL' so where does the interest come from. If you put say \$1000 into a bank account as say 3% interest: 1 what happens to the \$1000? And 2 where does the 3%interest come from?	
12	I don't think there's a lack of activities for youth - meaning roughly age 11 upwards - if you're wealthy there's a heap of water based and land based sport activities. There is a lack of opportunity for young kids from less wealthy backgrounds to get engaged in all the bay has to offer - the kind of kids the R Tucker Thompson work with throughout winter - apart from that organisations who else is offering assistance ? There is at times incredibly negative old fashioned attitudes towards youth - people forget not all children have equal opportunities. There is also a massive under representation of Maori in the current focus Paihia community group - it's, and I don't mean this in a derogatory way, massively white, business, wealth based - which is its roots, but I think it's time for the group to work hard at finding a genuine link with a Maori representative that can start helping that side of the community become influential and positively involved - making it become a reflection of the whole community now - Not just the business community this should be achievable when you live within a stone's throw of Waitangi where the treaty was signed - surely? Health promotion is minimal - physical and mental health promotion could	
13	unemployment	
14	I have not been here long enough ask me again next year	
15	Parking - not enough. need to get it sorted urgently	
16	Cost plus local authority	
17	young adults (school leavers) not being able to find work unless they are natural go getters - target youth with low self esteem	
18	urgent implementation of bus service between Opua - Paihia - Haruru - Watea-Kerikeri and Kaikohe Look what Rotorua is doing \$2 a trip Waiheke island has more buses than us in Northland	
19	Low police presence due to lack offunding	
20	Knowing your neighbours	

21	We need more activities for the youth to keep them out of trouble indoor and outdoor	
22	the lack of parking and free parking pedestrian friendly footpaths Rental costs for business too high and forces business to go elsewhere no bus terminal no drop off availability nowhere for people to sit and wait either for bus or pick up passengers no shelter from rain difficult to proceed along footpath because of people sitting on the ground and luggage haphazardly dropped on the footpath	
23	Pushy organisations Touch of racism	
24	Safe cycle route to Paihia (hill into Te Haumi flats is hazardous on way to Paihia) Sustainable water supply	
25	Lack of opportunities especially for the young ones to do productive activities after school Littering Lack of Maori leadership to guide and influence the general wellbeing of their whanau and iwi. Monopoly of Far North Holdings in Opua and Paihia in general causes more trouble to the local economy. Absurd rates for very little service Exploitation from the Council of the services that the community has done themselves (Focus Paihia in special). I believe they are not putting an effort into our area leaving Focus Paihia to pick up the pieces constantly. Lack of security at night. Walking around in Paihia at night is not a safe thing to do any longer. Cops are never around, they only show after an event has happened. Lack of lighting Sewage and water treatment are issues I would like the council to look into, maybe time for Focus Paihia to put a bit of political/community pressure into this?	
26	The bars in Kings Road. There are a lot of people getting hurt during and after the bars close and then when the bars are finally closed the patrons carry on too do damage to properties as they are making their way home not to mention the noise they make.	
27	Baby/preschool friendly places e.g. Cafes. Baby Change facilities for mothers and fathers. Undercover parking for parents with young children esp. at supermarkets. Lower speed limit or stop traffic along waterfront! Or put railing up so children don't step out onto oncoming traffic when foot path is crowded!	
28	Youth engagement in community projects	
29	If we keep the beach clean we will attract more people who will respect it, if the beach is scruffy we will attract scruffy people.	
30	Long term Paihia residents are arrogant and make life hard for any newcomers. The bleeding heart locals have destroyed all nightlife and any possibility to get reasonably priced food. Landlords are charging businesses too much rent. It seems they still think they live in the 80's- 90's. Nowadays everything here costs an arm and a leg. It's bullshit	
31	Having better communication , not sure how but we never find out about anything until after the fact	
32	Undermining, small poppy syndrome and small town gossip.	
33	Drug use	
34	Library should only offer the free internet service to locals and NOT to tourists. It's a pain to get access to a computer because you have to break your legs stepping over nonpaying tourists. This free service was meant to be instated for LOCALS to use, they are the ones paying for it. Our council should not waste our money and throwing it at tourists with no financial return.	
35	Employment ; Youth Environment ; Marine ,bush	
36	Lack of footpaths Rental houses that land agents don't care who they fill them with	
37	All meeting places in Paihia for socialising revolve around alcohol, i.e. Bars, RSA etc. could we make more use of the Community Hall for social gatherings, speakers, having non-religious spiritual seminars, whatever?	
38	Empty shops, is there any way to keep tenants? Are Auckland landlords out of touch with our seasonal situation? I hear they take a percentage of profits- is this not illegal? Can the businesses not unite and refuse to pay the exorbitant rents? Education about trash and rubbish which you are doing a lot to address, thank you. WINZ keeping a better eye on their rental properties- houses are not selling in Te Haumi - some suspect it is because it appears to be becoming a rental base for WINZ with too many tenants in properties and not enough home ownership.	
39	Certain members of our community have grown up seeing being on a benefit as a career choice Lack of full time non-seasonal jobs	
40	General untidiness, weeds growing on roundabout at entrance etc. Great to see cigarette butt rubbish bins but would be great to see the public spaces like horotutu smoke free.	

41	While our town is a major economic driver for our region, council has under invested in, and over rated, the area. I understand that the council is in a very difficult financial state, but you have to invest in assets like our town otherwise it will not be able to continue to provide the economic benefit that it currently does. If it wasn't for Focus Paihia and the efforts of other groups in our community it is likely the decline of our town wouldn't have been arrested as it has.	
42	1. Transport - Opua - Paihia - Kerikeri - Waipapa 2. Lack of hard court for netball / basketball	
43	Lack of cohesive community communication Need a unified approach and good use of our human resources Pollution and disrespect for our natural resources Mining Reliance on tourism to get Northland's income	
44	Lack of working lights in Marsden/Williams Rd and around the bluff where there is high pedestrian traffic at night.	
45	Lack of after hrs. entertainment i.e. movies, ten pin bowling indoor sports, thing for tourist to do in bad weather situations	
46	Lack of District Council vision and proper management of infrastructure assets via FNHL.	
47	Lack of Police numbers in the Paihia and district known areas, for unruly and aggressive behaviour.	
48	not enough presence of our local police force walking the streets etc. litter on the road between Whangarei & Kerikeri	
49	Shop rentals too high. Difficult for shop keepers to survive. Empty shops bad look for town.	
50	Lack of parking. Particularly difficult for the elderly who may need a longer time to accomplish in town tasks, and have difficulty walking from the car parks with a longer time frame.	
51	Parking Road congestion	
52	A lack of employment opportunities, especially for young people. Lack of year-round employment caused by Paihia being a tourist town. Rather a gap between Maori and Pakeha. We need to work together more. Lack of police presence which allows petty crime to escalate. There is nowhere for tourists to report theft, assault or lost property.	
53	Family Violence Abusive behaviour on our streets Alcohol Ban not being enforced Lack of police presence on the streets Kings Road at closing time	
54	Walkways and footpaths along roads are not safe in some places e.g. Seaview road narrows to single file in a couple of places and cars rush around corners, The bluff is very narrow. And non-existent in others. Haruru falls. Cars travel fast along the waterfront. Locals need a free parking location in town. The cats on the village green should go and we need to work harder to protect are natural environment. The mountain bike park is brilliant. Ensure building consents protect the look of Paihia and respect others vistas. Be open and honest about developments and ensure FNDC don't sell the place off without telling us about it.	
55	The lack of year-round jobs and the associated lack of work ethic ambition among some social groups.	
56	Safe pathways for us to walk between areas - from Opua all the way to Haruru. If we don't have public transport, at least supply us with decent footpaths we can walk along! I find the drink/driving seems to stop alot of us going out, as we can never get back home without a long wait, if able to track a taxi down at all, so we just stay home....and therefore do not get to support our local businesses as much as we'd like (Having said that - it has saved us a fair amount!!) Making sure that we feel safe on our streets - sticking up for each other (locals and tourists alike) and knowing there is a police presence around at night. Not being intimidated by the few who can turn a good night into a bad one in a few seconds (generally idiots on P) Opening up our waterfront even more, so it is more of a boulevard at night with the restaurants and bars spilling into the streets. It's been a fantastic improvement taking away the car park (even though parking is still a bit of an issue) as it opens up the waterfront.... we need to embrace the nature of where we are and what are attractions are.... the seafront is NUMBER ONE!	
57	rubbish strewn on our roadsides, not a good look for tourism and very bad for the environment	
58	Employment that is lasting year-round - particularly addressing ways to retain employment in an equitable form when it is not the peak touristseason.	
59	Street safety for tourists Night time disorderly behavior along the foreshore late night Kings Rd Waitangi back streets need some pride in appearance Supermarket Footpaths between Haruru and Waitangi new road to Kerikeri	

60	We have a large amount of poverty in our community that goes largely unnoticed by those not dealing directly with it. While this is mostly caused by influences outside the scope of community groups, I think we could foster a more inclusive, caring approach. There is a lot of prejudice and racism in our community, which needs to be addressed before we can move forward.	
61	Neighbourhood community building - mixing of old and young , time-rich and the time-poor, with family and alone within small size neighborhoods;	
62	Affordable/realistic commercial leases public walkways public cycle ways. Opua will lose its fantastic cycle way eventually, and the coastal walk, probably the best around is a disgrace	
63	Lack of jobs for youths who ultimately turn to crime and get comfortable claiming benefits.	
64	The Beating of two German Backpackers made me realize how some locals resort to violence so quickly. Plus a local selling drugs in Kings road while pushing a stroller Also heard of boys trying to take a scooter off another child and when a member of the public tried to intervene she was verbally abused. I feel Paihia is not always a safe place to be walking around.	
65	Employment opportunities	
66	Traffic flow along waterfront is not very tourist friendly. Lack of a large supermarket. Liqueur licensing hours are too late. Lack of police presence in Paihia especially late at night.	
67	Public transport, hospital care, the fact we rely on volunteers for professional help. The rates are very high and the population is ageing, also no industry to keep people in full term employment and employers who take advantage with poor wages and ignoring the basic employment contracts.	
68	No facilities for youth, young kids to hangout	
69	I think you've got it pretty well covered in your questions. Its paradise here, but no community can be perfect.	
70	Roading & quality of roading. The 'new' seal up to Aloha resort is terrible both in seal chip size (road noise) and in smoothness (ridges and bumps all the way up. Parking - the parking rules should be strictly enforced, especially in short term parking areas. The main parking area in town needs upgrading and better markings. Empty Business premises in central Paihia (about 20 at last count), probably caused by excessively greedy landlords. The public walkway at the landward side of the pier restaurant seems to have disappeared - was it not a condition of the development that public access was to be maintained. The Waitangi bridge needs replacing with a modern 2 lane structure. The price of fuel is much too high comparative to Whangarei. Maungatoroto has similar fuel prices to Whangarei - why are ours so expensive (recently 20c (Diesel) to 40c (91) per litre more). No wonder it's years since I bought any here. A decent supermarket! (This may be close to fruition)	
71	No police at the station and answer phone messages not returned	
72	In a tourist town that needs shoppers having to pay for parking and getting parking fines is a disgrace	
73	Lack of business development thus slowing total growth in the area. Encouragement by council and local government to new or interested businesses.	
74	Youth unemployment Promoting safety in the late evenings Tourist muggings / Tourist intimidation Youth swearing and yelling outside businesses	
75	Jobs, affordable accommodation, decent wage for the jobs	
76	Parking Food shopping	
77	This is a town driven by Tourism (which is fortunate / good) but it seems to try hard to be a 'normal' kiwi town. Why not go the whole way and focus on becoming an international tourist destination catering to the needs / wants / expectations of those coming here? (Such as Italian lake resorts etc.) Maori & Pakeha are not at all integrated, and this creates division / ill will / and distrust - too much us and them Physical infrastructure change too slow - new donated park - nothing happened; storm repair to beach wall and stairs not repaired, dealing with graffiti on Stone wall on point	

78	<p>Totally the lack of policing. We need to address the alcohol issues from young backpackers/Kerikeri kids and others from out of the area who feel they have a right to drink in specified non-alcohol areas.....destroy rubbish bins and seating along the beachfront....leave all their bottles and cans for locals to clean up every morning. After the close of the night clubs they all move to the beach, often with music booming from car stereos through the early hours of the morning. Their language and drunken behaviour should not be tolerated. We meet with local police and advise Liquor control areas in Kerikeri to no avail. No one cares what takes place after dark.</p> <p>Hotel/motel/holiday home guest and visitors to the area plus local residence have to deal with this night after night during the summer with no back up support. It is pointless to beautify a town and let a minority ruin it for locals and tourists alike Read local hotel/motel accommodation providers Trip advisor comments for verification of the above.</p>	
79	Need Comm Centre with activities disco etc. for 13 to 17 yr. olds	
80	The main concern is growing vandalism and violence in our community. Both thefts and violence to individuals in street attacks. I appreciate this is not confined to Paihia or the Bay of Islands	
81	<p>I have no real depth of knowledge of issues in the community only an awareness that there is remarkably strong community spirit amongst those I have been privileged to count as friends in our eleven years of living here. It is also worthy of note, that as in other communities, there appears to be the same strong band of public spirited willing "doers" that volunteer time and again for whatever task or event has need of them. However, here are some thoughts that you may already have explored, forgive me if this is so. A more visible passing police presence on random night patrols, especially where the youth congregate and are seen drinking outdoors.....but also amongst the residential areas. This might help to ward off possible car or house tampering leading to breaking in, theft, vandalism etc. Organised "Blue Light" discos for youngsters to generate good will between the police and youth. This has had some measure of success in UK. A youth club possibly with table tennis and other activities for those who are somewhat disaffected and don't appear to enjoy scout groups, sport, swim, sail or similar team/organised outdoor activity and pursuits.. Introducing senior school students to a small degree of social volunteering. Perhaps visiting an elderly or disabled person and sharing regular social interchange of thoughts, memories, ideas etc. Over a cup of tea? Creating a school or youth choir which could give performances to raise money for community projects, but also, maybe visit the infirm in residential settings to sing and raise their spirits! Why stop there! How about a community choir with similar aspirations..... Perhaps I've rambled on too long....</p>	
82	<p>Burglaries of homes, cars, boats and crime generally The mess of broken bottles, waste paper etc. created by the patrons of the bars and left for the good people of Focus Paihia to clean up each Saturday and Sunday</p> <p>Holiday homes left vacant for a large part of the year with the owners showing no interest in, or contributing to, the well-being of the community</p>	
83	Lack of footpath from Haruru To Waitangi.	
84	Affordable housing & food Harnessing community spirit Lack of enthusiasm & motivation in youth	
85	Tourists getting beaten up and not being safe in the community.	
86	Happiness - employment.	
87	Transience amongst some families which affects sense of belonging particularly for those school children affected by this.	
88	low visibility of Police on our streets	
89	Climate Change. Loss of our native bio- diversity. Involving Maori.	
90	Town Security for Visitors & Tourists	
91	Policing no one knows when the police station is manned. Poor conditions of roads Pedestrian friendly downtown	
92	Lack of full time police. Lack of a supermarket.	
93	Insufficient jobs to retain young people after leaving school	
94	<p>Sewage smell in Haruru from the pump station at the top of the hill a safe footpath from Haruru to Paihia to cater for all the people who walk this route. High cost of shop rentals meaning many shops are vacant which is bad for the community and for tourism. Poor level of customer service in some of the cafes and restaurants</p>	
95	Violence outside bars. Lack of police presence...even at the station!	
96	PARKING	

97	Lack of respect of some youth and adults of others and the community. Families taking no responsibility to get their children fed before school. Weetabix doesn't cost a lot! Getting Waitangi involved in the community more (I think having Focus is helping bridge the gap and/or bringing more awareness too	
98	No comment	
99	to be honest we don't live there full time, we have bought a house for retirement in 5 or so years' time, from what I see it is a community who are there for each other but also great understanding of tourism and the value this has for the community. This is fantastic. As I don't know the depth of the community the only thing that springs to mind would be a community food bank. At Christmas time there were a couple of situations that arose in the media and seemed to be linked to providing for the family. As we know it can be very stressful at that time of the year and some may need a bit of help. At the same time people could then be directed to other services, such as budgeting advice and so forth, so they learn for the future.	
100	Lack of jobs. Lack of jobs. Lack of Jobs. With so few jobs available most school leavers are going to Auckland or Whangarei for employment - and it's doubtful if they'll ever come back. Where is the future growth for our community if it's full of oldies? Lack of public transport. Lack of shops selling things that locals want. Why are there so many empty shops in the mall?	
101	This may be the wrong forum but a strong visitor industry, more commercial activity, will bring in more people, more jobs and more money etc. etc. and alleviate some of the community concerns.	
102	lack of employment and jobopportunities	
103	People from Kawakawa, Moerewa and Kaikohe areas coming to the bright lights in Paihia/Kerikeri to get drunk and cause trouble	
104	The cost of commercial property. The lack if new business wanting to move into the area.	

Q8 How do you think we as a community could solve these problems?

Answered: 97 Skipped: 144

#	Responses	
1	Museum signage , promote local tourist trails , link with other historic sites/ groups in the region	
2	Not sure don't even know who runs the town appears very key compared to some like Focus Paihia	
3	Education on drugs and alcohol within the community	
4	Provide more green blocks Stop building on the half acre blocks and leave green spaces	
5	We could set up a Community Hall and Citizen's Advice Bureau. Also youth activities to keep them focused and out of trouble e.g. radio station	
6	make sidewalk	
7	NEED COURSES	
8	Link the young and elderly by having volunteers persons willing to invite young children to come after school to have a snack (optional) a quiet place and possibly to do their homework. a place to experience another way to live that will keep company for the retired too	
9	Word of mouth is always a good start maybe approach local MP, petitions, fund raising.	
10	clean Waitangi River Get rid of plant and animal pests	

11	The simple solution is a local community's complementary currency which would be created as debt/ USUSRY FREE money of the people by the people for the people. The FNDC is now looking at this and councilor Di Maxwell, who is leading the charge at her own expense, gone to university in England which has a specialist "local currency department" where she is studying the subject. Local community currencies already exist in New Zealand, we have one in the Far north, but and return control of money creation to the people and take it away from the Bank steps and centralgovernment.	
12	A youth based programme, starting with a club but extending to external activities - working with schools and community - to identify those kids that really need it - an open door, drop in policy - ALL allowed even those (in my eyes especially those) that people have started to view as "troublesome" get them in - help them find their interests and nurture them - use the widespread knowledge of the community to get people to run workshops - offer training, experiences, creative output - sport, dance, graffiti - get some good male role models and get these local tourism companies to get on board and offer these kids opportunities because then they might just decide to train in tourism for example and be able to get jobs in the area they grew up in if they want to. - I'm passionate about youth can you tell? I'll shut up now. I don't know what has already been tried with regards to Maori representation and engagement in focus Paihia group - in my mind I'd just go speak to those in the community that can advise you best - in my limited personal experience as a health professional working with and for Maori - go talk, be truthful, drop any "we know best" thoughts and appreciate that approaches to things will be different but that is fine - I think it would be a great development for the group that is hoping to fully represent it's community. Somehow incorporate this in the placemaking maybe? Community allotments, community growing food together, horticulture is excellent for physical and mental wellbeing and then providing it to the poorer low income families and maybe even healthy meals on wheels to those isolated elderly? Growing food - learning to cook healthy food - providing it to those in need - that's community spirit. Who knows - get big enough and you can sell it to make it all pay for itself.	
13	Creation of a Community Centre for allages	
14	Lobby FNDC to spend more money on this	
15	We need people who know how to reducecosts	
16	Business owners to help young adults from all types of income families to gain work skills and some employment	
17	Get out and talk about it in General and not at meetings only Local papers week by week to make people aware of it	
18	Fundraisers Emphasis on volunteering Incorporating youth into town activities	
19	Welcome new neighbours Fare welling old neighbours Street get together BBQ"S etc.	
20	We need more police on the streets for people to see	
21	by buying a suitable bit of land and developing it or leasing it out for parking Money raised by public donations, debentures, grants, local businesses make a terminus in the car park and use present area for parking	
22	Treat all as equals ' the white way is not necessarily the right way'	
23	Widen road for cyclists	
24	Pressure the council to do more for us, carry on with the lighting and CCTV programmes. Pressure pressure pressure, media media media to get the FNDC to do something for Paihia for a change.	
25	We need more police here and the operators need to be more responsible.	
26	Have a focus group specifically for engaging young people in community projects	
27	You are and have just keep on doing what you do best.	
28	Try pulling your heads out of yourasses	
29	More emails maybe or even a monthly newsletter that we all get	
30	Working together, opening communication channels - being open and respectful. Teaching ourselves to take responsibility for our actions. Treating others as we would like to be treated. Leading by example.. Expect the best from people - rather than the worse. Have regular community meals - morning teas, bring a plate, etc.	
31	more help for these people addicted	
32	Approach the council and make them understand that small communities need the tourist dollars. All the businesses rely on paying tourists. STOP THE FREE SERVICES and make tourists wander the streets and spend money in the shops rather than sitting in front of the library for hours and checking out on Facebook what their friends overseas had for breakfast.	

33	Encourage industry to the north Education; Workshops Encourage under privileged kids to join in	
34	Build more footpaths Make real estate agents responsible for their tenants	
35	I think we need to get a lot more of the community invested in the upgrade of our lives here. Perhaps a door to door canvassing. Talking one on one to draw people in, to help them feel a part of things and boost their confidence to participate.	
36	Covered above	
37	i wish I knew. Fostering self-esteem and community spirit would hopefully be a good start Foster industries which would provide long term full time non-seasonal jobs	
38	Tidy up, spraying weeds regularly and ban smoking in public parks and beaches.	
39	1. Subsidised shuttle for a year or two to establish clients and habits of use then the operation could be sold as a going concern. 2. Use the Lady Elizabeth park for a multi-purpose court - netball / basketball - foster a social evening competition	
40	Set up effective community communication systems like Russell's Google Groups Create a less intermittent income source. Perhaps we could utilise the high proportion of Maori speaking people we have with their huge knowledge base and set ourselves up as the Cultural Centre of New Zealand with knowledge Centre's and huge schools teaching traditions and crafts Protect our environment through banning or managing better those things which are polluting our land and waterways.	
41	deal with Transit NZ and get a result which seems an impossible task	
42	New councilors and management at FNHL	
43	The Paihia Community is doing its bit with the Community Patrol & the introduction of the CCTV cameras, with more to follow, however helpful these are (and they are getting results), we need more Police presence.	
44	bring our Police out onto the streets let the Police do some youth forums as they do in other communities encourage the young ones to develop pride in their communities e.g remove any tagging they see. Get the wayward youth out 3 times a week as part of their Dole money to pick up litter left by their mates. Install a MacDonald's bin!!! Better still tell McDonalds it's only their litter that pollutes our highways.	
45	Levy shop owners if their premises are empty.	
46	Better public transport Outside of central town park and ride system perhaps	
47	Build a double story Car Park on the existing site Divert Traffic away from the center - of Paihia and make it safe for Pedestrians	
48	We need a council group or similar to take the initiative in matching local people to jobs in local businesses. This has been done successfully in other communities such as Otorohanga where the mayor worked with local businesses to identify labour requirements, then organised training for young people to meet that need. Each student had a mentor to support them and keep them focused and all were guaranteed jobs at the end of their courses. This solved the problem of the labour shortage and kept young people in town who would otherwise have had to leave. It also built a sense of pride. We should encourage businesses to employ locals instead of backpackers and should work on ways to keep them employed over the winter. It would be good if larger employers would make a commitment to local workers and recognise outstanding performers by offering extra training or paying them more than the mediocre staff. There is not much incentive to excel if you are only rewarded as well as those who just "turn up". Even if it is difficult to offer year-round jobs, it must be more Efficient to have a well trained work force available each season than have to train a new lot of backpackers each time. All of this relies on improved transport so young people can actually get to training or work - maybe minivans so they could be flexible rather than large buses. We need to get together as a community to build a case for better policing. Safety is paramount in a tourist town.	
49	No toleration of abusive behaviour in our public places and in our homes. Families being educated to identify abuse and the actions they can take to help friends, neighbours & themselves. Maori Wardens, Community Patrol, Neighbourhood Watch Groups, the police & social services working together as a cohesive Group. More interaction and information sharing with police. .	
50	Lobby people with our money. Govt and council to reinvest our rates and taxes into our community Support bay bush action. Island song. Fish forever. Walk and greet everyone you meet. Support focus Paihia	

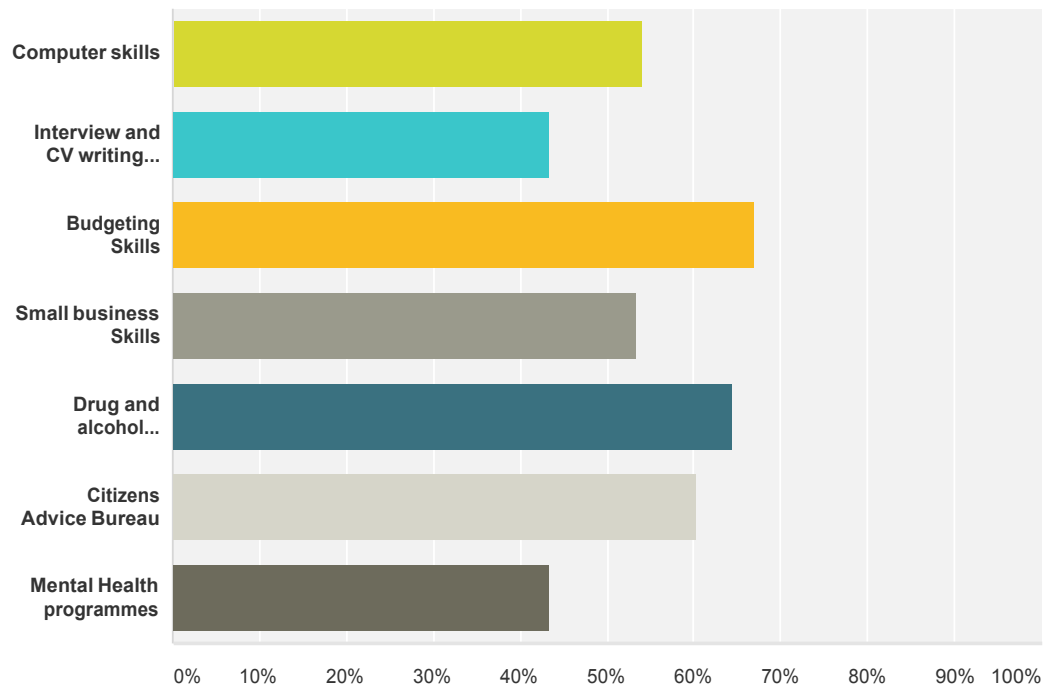
51	Education. Focus on communities by central government. Fix the roads. Less benefits and more work incentives. A Community Centre with a resident social worker who could point people in the right direction.	
52	Not sure how to solve the footpath issue without money from the government, as it is a big project - but I think a well worthwhile one in the long run. People don't mind walking as long as there's a safe path to do so! Drink/driving? Hmm, well, maybe a weekend minibus service that does a loop once an hour on the weekends and charges \$5 per head? Again, this is more of a "will it be used?" and "who's going to do it?" issue. Won't be me as I like to be the one out there having a bit of fun!! But... Policing the streets - well, the Police in Paihia are always a bit of a joke, in so far as you can never find one when you need one. More of a drive-by presence in the evenings would be a boost?! The Waterfront? Well, I believe that's an ongoing thing. I think the Horotutu area is awesome and it's been great seeing it well utilised over summer - even made a rock star of the pomme piano player!! All good exposure is fantastic. I think the pedestrian issue would be something for the NZ transport lot to be involved in - but if you're looking LONG term and tourist numbers are likely to increase...then it's not such a silly idea. Baby steps looking ahead - think a great job has been done so far. Would be nice to get that Mall sorted out so that was inviting as well - what a shambles and it could be so pretty without a hell of a lot doing!! Anyhow...(that's out of town business owners for you!)	
53	Public awareness and regular community clean ups. We also need to contact NZTA as the State Highways are their responsibility and the contractors that are paid to clean up the road do a very poor job.	
54	A non-biased forum in which members of the community and other experienced people outside of the community can come together to form and explore novel ideas towards possible solutions. There's no amount of improving job skills if there isn't year round employment to be had.	
55	the above issues in box 7 should not need much explanation Perhaps using information gained from CTV cameras to prosecute , name and shame Kings Rd should be a place of accommodation not bars, bottle stores and restaurants Waitangi back streets need an appearance fresh up a road from Kerikeri Inlet Rd through to Waitangi would have immense benefit	
56	We all need to step outside our usual groups and get to know different groups of people. Only by familiarity do we get over these things.	
57	Encouragement through neighbourhood-building projects to give people a reason to get together, in every neighbourhood of say 20 households, so that by working together we create community on a small scale all around the central focus of Paihia township - satellite neighbourhood communities so that we all know, support and help each other, old and young, strong and weak, time rich and time poor, in our individual neighborhoods..	
58	I feel these are both Council related issues, although the Coastal walk thru Harrison's Bush is on private land. Maintenance and upkeep should be funded thru them. Rental affordability is realistically out of the community control, i presume it is market driven but the market seems to be suffering year after year	
59	Get youths into community work whilst on benefit and hopefully change their attitudes.	
60	We need a bigger Police presence and need to make it quite clear that we do not tolerate drug use. Hostels could display signs - if there are no customers there will be no sales people Also drinking in moderation Start in the school with anti-violence, drug and alcohol dependence Try and rid this idea in parts of the community that the police are the enemy	
61	Look at opportunities outside tourism - for example, actively support mining	
62	Well I think there are plans to change traffic flows away from the waterfront so that is gd. The police could have more of a local presence in town especially during liqueur hours and after closing.	
63	Higher and easier to access penalties for employers who abuse their workers. The hospital transport should go through Paihia at least, maybe better to have our own designated smaller bus to serve Paihia and Opua. When volunteers man the watch house, volunteers are expected to scrape people off the road and put out bushfires, we need Government intervention to change it. Other towns have paid professionals and the backup to deal with crisis, it is not fair to rely on a community who is ageing.	

64	Complete the bike track in Waitangi forest Build a skate park Have a youth club house	
65	Lobby hard in the by-election!!! National desperately needs the seat (especially as Peter Dunn has indicated his support is not certain) and us as electors should drive a hard bargain. e.g. the public should publicly indicate en mass that they will vote against National unless firm commitments are made. In the short term Focus Paihia could assist in getting candidate forums in this area. Focus Paihia should be roundly commended for all the projects they do and are continuing to progress.	
66	Not sure	
67	Make parking free	
68	Continue support of businesses in our area.	
69	Youth unemployment - working with local high schools to enter young people into the workforce. Considering pathways and opportunities for youth to attend university, program application support, financial literacy courses, and Promoting safety in the late evenings, often Police observe vicious beatings without interfering. Tourist muggings / Tourist intimidation- make connections between youth and the police, preventative measurements with schools, unpacking consequences.	
70	More investments into the community	
71	Parking warden all year	
72	Work on a Tourism plan that works for all. Act on roadway plan to create pedestrian areas - create wide boardwalk between Wharf and Treaty Ground. Promote cohesive approach with Maori to integrate tourist experience. Improve lower Marae to welcome guests - artisan lane on the lower field / buskers. Draw local Maori into community groups to be part of the community development process Proactive and quick / inclusive FNDC - more responsive - action oriented Clear Leadership and action	
73	More policing during the summer months. Kaitaia has recently set up a community night time operation where all CCTV cameras are monitored from 9pm at night until the early hours. Volunteers from local business, iwi, WINZ and locals offer their time free to monitor and are then able to assist police as to where they need to be. This has been a pilot scheme undertaken by the police. I have the contact details if we were to consider this type of thing for Paihia. As a local community we need to be looking at these issues because they will and are not going away.	
74	Get a community centre	
75	More community policing. I.e. seen on the streets. The cameras are a great idea and I note that the local security firm also monitor events and calls to council for noise control.	
76	See above...I appear to have given the thoughts in the wrong box!	
77	By bringing back the old Neighbourhood Watch schemes in conjunction with the Police. Police need to be more visible in the community year round and easier to get in touch with so they are not just to be seen when issuing traffic offence notices	
78	Keep lobbying council	
79	Working together	
80	More policing - in fact having some police permanently here over the summer would be good.	
81	Make "Happiness" and the "Environment" the overarching goals of the Far North - with all policy derived from that. Just give people a job rather than pay \$130,000 for a place in prison.	
82	Find more employment for residents. Find more activities that engage community members across all socio-economic strata.	
83	more cooperation of police	
84	Good leadership.	
85	More surveillance cameras and monitoring. Greater police presence around town	

86	<p>Get a commitment from the police for the hours that the police station. If resources are a problem look to get volunteers to man the station and field and record initial complaints. Have the ability to report a crime on line. A commitment and a detailed plan of road improvements for the short medium and longer term. Post progress on line. The downtown squeeze has been an ongoing problem and is amplified during high season and cruise ship days. Pedestrians and highway do not mix. We need to have pedestrian only area along Marsden Road from School Road to Bayview Road. This needs to be the long term priority and the highway needs to run up School Road turn right through the car park and connect up with Selwyn Road and then turn right again on Bayview Road and connecting up on the waterfront and Marsden Road, This will take time and trade off with major partners like the School Far North Holdings etc., but this needs to happen and we will have to also accept things like increased height to make it all work.</p>	
87	Foster an environment that encourages entrepreneurialism and investment	
88	<p>Sewage question needs engineering solution or some appropriate input from the Far North council Footpath has been promised but hasn't happened. Think it maybe too big a project for the community to deal with but perhaps some representation can occur to see where the project is in the queue. Some actions from the business community to approach the building owners with a case for reducing rental costs. I would have thought that lowering rentals and having full occupancy would be in the building owners interests. Less likelihood of vandalism, more attractive to visitors and therefore possible increased spending providing jobs, income, activity etc. don't know how to do this but maybe a think tank could find some solutions. . Re service - ensuring that businesses train staff well and expect a high standard. Perhaps running kiwi-host courses for all service people. Again it is the impression that people take away from Paihia that brings people back. There is one restaurant in particular that all my visitors have commented on and I myself have experienced continuing poor service from despite polite feedback to the managers. (Alongside)</p>	
89	High Rise	
90	<p>Education - there are groups like Probus etc. for the elderly and Rotary, Lions etc. for the fitter older group Getting Waitangi on board more Keep involving the older folks in things like the op shop and maybe more genteel activities or groups. Keep up the communication and make sure it is getting to all corners as that brings inclusiveness. (Keep up the great work Tiffany - the newsletters are fantastic!) for the youth - we have yacht clubs right on our doorstep that have run youth training days. I'm sorry but I can't stand it when youth say there is nothing to do.</p>	
91	N/A	
92	<p>This could be run via the supermarkets where a donation area could be set up permanently and I for one would just buy something extra during a shop and put it in the community bin. if this was available all year round people could then donate whenever they felt too.</p>	
93	<p>By continually pushing and pushing the Far North District Council into action. They have direct communication with the Government of the day and are the only ones who can ensure economic growth in our area.</p>	
94	Support the above.	
95	<p>This community can help but think funding is needed from elsewhere to set these things up. Also the services available in northland - drug/alcohol etc. and mental health are not of a good level...this needs an overall Problems stem from other communities - to help Paihia you also need to be helping Kaikohe etc. as they crime comes from there the large companies here should help out</p>	
96	Raise age limit to 20 for alcohol from retail outlets	
97	By placing pressure on the landlords.	

Q9 What programmes or social services from the following do you think would be useful to have running in Paihia?

Answered: 161 Skipped: 80



Answer Choices	Responses	
computer skills	54.04%	87
Interview and CV writing skills	43.48%	70
Budgeting skills	67.08%	108
Small business skills	53.42%	86
Drug and alcohol counselling	64.60%	104
Citizens Advice Bureau	60.25%	97
Mental Health programmes	43.48%	70
Total Respondents: 161		

Q10 Where would you go to find out what services are available in the community?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 121

#	Responses	
1	CAB Information Centre FNDC office	
2	Not sure On line?	
3	CAB INFO CENTRE/LIBRARY church groups?	
4	Information Centre FNDC website	
5	Information Centre	
6	information Centre on line	
7	internet / I site/post office	
8	Ask around Paihia Focus r /page Paihia Notice board	
9	internet Paihia 1 -site WINZ Kerikeri	
10	?	
11	internet Uncle Google	
12	CAB Kerikeri Library	
13	notice board the chronicle	
14	CAB internet doctor Plunket directory	
15	CAB library local police station church community notice board internet	
16	Really hard to find services	
17	Google or similar	
18	Dr surgery waiting room - library - noticeboards - Facebook pages - school - op shop	
19	internet I site	
20	google	
21	Citizens Advise Bureau Information Centre	
22	On line and I site	
23	Internet	
24	Focus Paihia	
25	at present would only think to go to I site on the wharf or Focus OP shop in Paihia	
26	internet Later- citizen's Bureau	
27	Online	
28	Info Centre Yellow pages	
29	Info Centre	
30	I SITE C.A.B.	
31	C.A.B.	
32	information Centre	

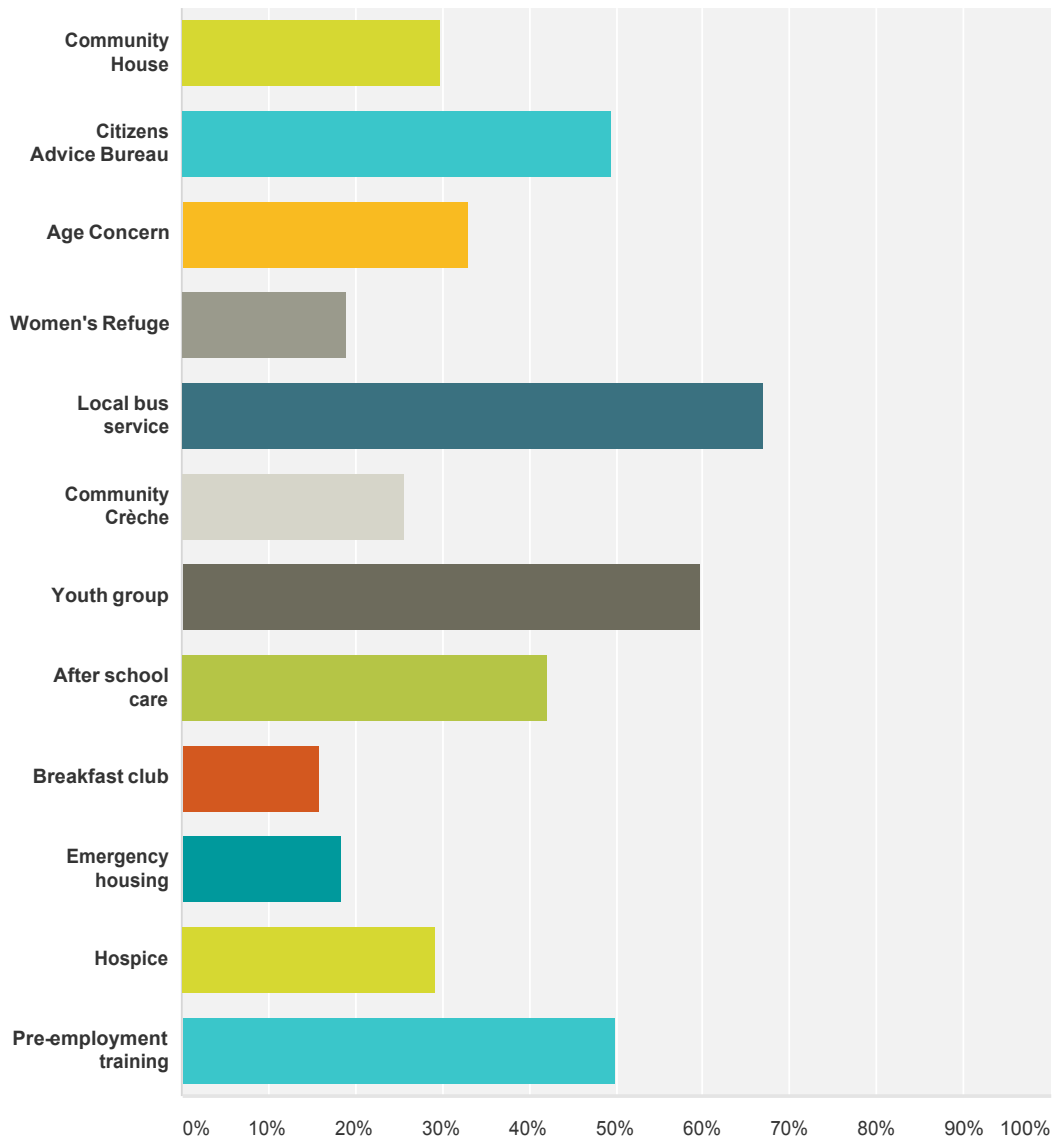
33	Ask anyone some don't care some wish they knew	
34	internet ask around	
35	Information Centre or Council servicedesk	
36	I would ask a local, maybe I site, and There is nothing that encompasses the entire Bay of Islands, only Paihia (the Almanac).	
37	Bay Of Islands I-Site / Paihia BookingOffice	
38	Online	
39	Library maybe or a notice board... Or a community trust	
40	Information Centre.	
41	No idea. I can find souvenirs easy. And people selling boat rides and other overpriced attractions but nothing useful	
42	??	
43	internet	
44	Internet	
45	Facebook is wonderful for communication from focus Paihia and other local groups about what is going on. Maybe the opshop could have some pamphlets in a small area of the shop. I also see that the doctors - Bay view, have lots of information on their pin board, which is always up to date. There is always the library that could have better stand of information, too. I think that there is enough places to look at to look at as ways to expand their services / information in Paihia already without the need to set up a citizen's advice separately, or the like.	
46	As shopkeepers or the internet	
47	NOTICEBOARD in shopping Centre, special Facebook or similar web site. Churches, schools etc.	
48	Internet	
49	FNDC I Site	
50	Internet	
51	Google I Site	
52	On line, library and local phone book	
53	? Google? Facebook?	
54	CAB in Kerikeri	
55	internet	
56	I have always struggled with this. I have been on line. I know there is a book for sale with services in. But I have found no one in the community who is that knowledgeable, no local paper which details it all, and the on line list does not appear to be complete.	
57	almanac	
58	maybe the I site Centre	
59	Don't know.	
60	Local yellow pages phone Directory, Focus Paihia Almanac or the new Focus Paihia Review for contacts and information. The Business Paihia Website and as I have a computer, Facebook & grape vine are informative avenues.	
61	a notice board downtown message board every week in the Bay chronicle	
62	Paihia Almanac	
63	Information Centre	
64	Phone book Ask friends GP on line	

65	Citizens' Advice Bureau Paihia Almanac FNDC Hospital for health needs	
66	Google	
67	CAB, local library, community Centre of some kind.	
68	Absolutely no idea - I suppose the library, or the info place?	
69	On Line or the I-Site	
70	I would go to the library and seek information delivery by Far North District Council.	
71	Maybe the I site	
72	Library, online search	
73	library, info Centre	
74	Citizens Advice Bureau	
75	FNDC Focus Chronicle	
76	Internet or friends	
77	Library Information Centre	
78	info Centre	
79	Information Office	
80	Ring Tiff	
81	Don't know.	
82	I would google	
83	Telephone directory and Paihia handbook	
84	Information Centre on waterfront	
85	Google, info Centre	
86	Citizens advice Information Centre Community notice board	
87	Don't know	
88	Library Far North Council Post Office Fire Brigade M.P. (only the last one was never seen) Health services + St Johns + Doctors + Hospital Police (if the Paihia station actually has someone in it) I don't know of any community help for legal problems - and lawyers are generally too expensive for small matters.	
89	Google	
90	CAB Based in Kerikeri	
91	Unsure	
92	I site	
93	Internet	
94	Internet (Doesn't appear to be a cohesive place of information for this area for 'community')	
95	I site FNDC Discuss with other locals	
96	Ask friends	
97	Library and local newspaper- then word of mouth.	
98	I would go on the Internet but am aware this is not readily accessible for everyone.	
99	internet	
100	To the Telephone directory or on the internet or ask other locals	
101	the library	

102	The I-SITE, internet, phone book.	
103	FP Website or FNDC website.	
104	the library the internet	
105	GP waiting rooms Library Local newspapers BOI Hospital social worker Age Concern Mid North (Kerikeri)	
106	On line.	
107	Facebook. - Community Noticeboard.	
108	Kerikeri	
109	I* have a copy of the Paihia Almanac...it is a good start. Andrew did a wonderful job	
110	Paihia Review Yellow Pages Google Ask at i-site	
111	Not clear where to go other than internet or possibly the I Site.	
112	Google.	
113	Library I site Focus almanac	
114	Have no idea	
115	I usually use the internet but in the case of people who don't maybe there needs to be a bulletin Board in the most central place for all to see or the Citizens Advice Bureau would be the next best thing that could then be via the net or phone.	
116	The internet!!!	
117	Information Centre?	
118	No idea	
119	Internet - and hardly anything shows up	
120	Andrew Thompsons Paihia almanac	

Q11 Please indicate below what other services you would like to see provided here in Paihia

Answered: 164 Skipped: 77



Answer Choices	Responses
Community House	29.88% 49
Citizens Advice Bureau	49.39% 81
Age Concern	32.93% 54
Women's Refuge	18.90% 31

Local bus service	67.07%	110
Community crèche	25.61%	42
Youth group	59.76%	98
After school care	42.07%	69
Breakfast club	15.85%	26
Emergency housing	18.29%	30
Hospice	29.27%	48
Pre-employment training	50.00%	82
Total Respondents: 164		

Q12 Any other comments you would like to make?

Answered: 47 Skipped: 194

#	Responses	
1	I am more than happy to spear head and manage this project. 1st idea is to plant fruit trees around the Haruru Falls playground Ask council to donate a section for Community Gardens	
2	This is a great idea to look after your local community first and find ways of improving skills and living conditions to make it better for future generations	
3	All of the items listed in 6, 9, and 11 are valuable and needed in the community. I have a simple question ' How and from where would you get the money? New Zealand is one of the most centrally controlled countries in the world with 91% of all tax money spent centrally and only 9% spent locally. The FNDC is deep in debt, the local economy is in a poor state and we have low wage rates so where would you anticipate obtaining the funds?	
4	A great job is already being done - I love that this is developing further into the social welfare for the community.	
5	Obviously community spirit is strong The region must be some of NZ best scenery - needs to be advertised more	
6	keep up the good Focus Paihia work	
7	use of super gold card in Paihia places shops restaurants cafe's tours Taxi discount for over 65 years between Paihia and Haruru falls as we have no local bus service yet \$ 15 for one way is impossible for locals	
8	Paihia is looking great and there is more community spirit and pride in our town thanks to Focus Paihia for being so pro-active	
9	I love the new look of Paihia, I think it's fabulous vibrant and fresh!	
10	Help town hospitality. No nightlife here.	
11	Youth group would be awesome. My teenager struggles to make friends and has issues with bullying. I have investigated a youth group but could only find one in Russell which was no longer up and running.	
12	Maybe a directory of all the small businesses running in the area so that we can all support one another.	
13	This is an important issue. Well done for starting to address it.	

14	One thing is the sausage sizzle run by St Johns on cruise ship days, is great, but the footpath under their area needs to be cleaned with hot water and soap, as it looks terrible. Maybe a regular wash of the entire footpaths too could be a good idea. We love all the work you do - it is wonderful. I support the opshop with donations and buying things, and love having it in town.	
15	I can't find questions 1-11.	
16	No	
17	Paihia population is small and we cannot do everything so i guess we have to prioritise. .Focus have created wonderful surrounds and managed to get huge involvement but some are missing out. .Mainly some youth and under privileged.	
18	The increase in community spirit since the advent of Focus Paihia has had a positive effect already. Continuing in this vein can only help	
19	More of a police presence especially during the summer months earlier in the day would provide a deterring effect hopefully. Locals and tourists should feel safe to walk in this beautiful town, this year hasn't had the safest feeling during daylight hours. Do we need to have a think about reducing the traffic along the waterfront but making this a one way road? I'm not fond of the Kerikeri one way system but think it would be great for tourists to cross the road from the wharf and Horotutu area without worrying about traffic.	
20	I believe there is a local scouting group for youth. I am part of the local Hospice which covers the Paihia area. As mentioned I am also part of Toastmasters which teaches pre-employment skills in the area. The thing about Paihia is it does not seem to work as a cohesive whole. If there is a need for something else in the community then it would be good for it to be voiced so that people can step up to form something or provide the information that there is already a group which performs this service.	
21	This survey is a wish list and seems to lack a strategic theme. For example what should be the priorities and how should they be ranked - a healthier community, a better educated community, a more prosperous community, a less violent community etc.?	
22	Just to add that we need to be aware of our Youths' needs in terms of personal stability. Youth groups and other activities that provide stimulation and when managed properly, provides a meaningful way to spend any spare time.	
23	We have a great community here in Paihia and everyone especially Grant & Sarah and the Op Shop have done and are still doing tremendous work in putting and keeping Paihia to the forefront of the rest of NZ. let's keep it this way but let's make the whole community from young to old involved in some way to making Paihia the gateway to NZ	
24	I think the Focus Paihia group are doing a wonderful job of fostering the community spirit and bringing people together.	
25	From a selfish point of view - we have no shops at Te Haumi so public transportation for the elderly who cannot walk to Paihia would be a great service - maybe two days a week Have a meet for coffee have a shop and home This model would work well if a large enough group could be involved and could be just one day a month.	

26	<p>Sadly I wrote a screed and when I went back to check this system lost it all This is a wide community. Paihia, Te Haumi. Haruru Falls, Waitangi too though not mentioned, nor is Opua or Russell. We are small and separate, we chose to live here, and we naturally form ourselves into groups depending on how we fit. Business, semi-retired, young families, schools, clubs. All fit naturally and come and go as needed. May of the questions to ask are natural social services in larger towns and cities but the reality in a small disparate community is that we won't be able to afford them and sometimes don't want them. We chose to live here, recognising the limitations. We cannot be all things to all men. If we try hard to make this happen then we may change the fabric and it usually is destined to fail and can set expectations that cannot be met. Even the business community where funds can sometimes flow is stretched due to the seasonality of the environment. Everyone has struggles here and most want to be here because it's beautiful and it's a community. If we try to force things too much then the very reason for being here may change. It is what it is and let's work together as need or resource is available. The concept of a Focus Paihia has helped keep minds on positive, on community on voluntary. We need to continue to look out for each other and this community needs to keep working on this of course. Only other thing is maybe there is a way to get semi-retired here may be able to assist people struggling. We have a great resource for groups at the Memorial Hall and it is certainly not stretched to capacity. Over winter when it's quiet it would be exciting to see this facility used more. How about literacy workshops where the educated semi-retired, grand dads and grand moms could call in a sit down and help out others. But there I go now. Is there a need, once a specific need is established as being critical then we need to concentrate on our own resources to help solve this. Certainly more community policing would be helpful to the town, we are the old bobby on the street sort of place.</p>	
27	Family is a foundation building block of a community. If families are not coping well or do not have the skills or the ingredients to build productive & happy children & subsequently adults, then communities will suffer. This is particularly true, if there are a number of dysfunctional, depressed or disadvantaged families in one area.	
28	The rents are too high on the buildings in town which make it prohibitive for small businesses to flourish.	
29	<p>Congratulations on the award! Well done Focus Paihia. Vern should be the Mayor - he rocks! We should get more involvement with local Maori, who want to show pride in our neighbourhood and share that with their peers. Positive influencing. Showing that we are all part of the Community - whatever race, creed, religion, or colour and we all strive for the same goal - to live in harmony in one of the most beautiful places on earth! Be proud and happy and let's none of us be victims in life, let's all just be participants - taking the good with the bad and show that everyone has ups and downs... and we cope with it as it comes our way in the best light we can! I love living here and long may it last! Keep up the good work. I do participate with the community but will decline on the contact details front.</p>	
30	There is a need for a shuttle service Waitangi and Paihia. For the wider community how about looking at Waitangi perhaps to upgrade and provide e.g. stairway down to the beach this would assist people for easy access to the beach especially those people with disabilities and the little toddlers.	
31	<p>I am not here all year round, often away for months on end but would like to be able to useful in helping create community - if that doesn't seem a contradiction in terms! Please keep asking for one-off assistance when something is required - I'm keen to be of support when I can, if I know what is needed. The idea of a Paihia party this weekend - a giant pot-luck - is fabulous. Grateful thanks to all those making it come about.. I'd like to see a 'Paihia Passeggiata' one evening a week: Definition: As evening falls and the harsh sun inches out of the your favorite piazza, an evening ritual is bound to begin, the Italian tradition of passeggiata, a gentle stroll (slow! think slow!) through the main streets of the old town, usually in the pedestrian zones in the centro storico, the historic center. Italians tend to dress up for passeggiata, and tourists are usually easy to spot in their shorts and fanny packs. Older folks sit along the route, nursing a beer or a glass of wine in the bar, and watching for things to gossip about; la passeggiata is where new romances are on display as well as new shoes. Passeggiata is especially popular on Sunday evenings. During the summer, some Italians even drive to nearby cities, the coast, or the lakes for a special passeggiata.</p>	
32	I think focus Paihia is doing a fantastic job well done to you all	
33	You asked if Age Concern was needed in town. It has the Accredited Visiting service up and running. CAB cover from Towai to Kaitia...by phone, these are two services that run on fresh air as it is, to fragment their funding by making new offices will be a disaster...	
34	Paihia is becoming a very pleasant, caring community. Community working bees are good but possibly need better promotion	

35	Focus Paihia have done a brilliant job but the main shopping mall looks dirty and old with mostly empty shops the mall needs beautifying i.e. paint, clean and tenants. Get rid of all the crap on tables in the mall and put nice tables and chairs for or hold activities there some sort of community art class or something like that.
36	Cohesive Groups brought together to one vision - led by? (Local Mayor) (Politician) (Leader) Focus Paihia Business Paihia FNDC Far North Holdings Major Corporates Small Businesses Rotary / Lions Marae's Waitangi Treaty other community Groups Each of these appear to be working independently - draw together for one vision And take action - create action plan - drive
37	Nana
38	I fear I may have said too much already!
39	Paihia Community are doing an amazing job
40	Focus Paihia is doing an awesome job!
41	<p>The community feeling in the area has improved in recent times. It takes a while for new people to feel they fit. in a previous community where I worked as a community worker we ran a monthly morning tea where people could drop in a meet others both new and older residents, They could then find out what was happening in the community, where to find things, services offered etc. Sometimes there were only two or three people there and</p> <p>Sometimes there would be 20 or more. Perhaps could be advertised at the I Site and in the community paper plus the Focus newsletter.</p>
42	No
43	PARKING PARKING !!!
44	A lot of what Focus is doing is geared towards getting more for tourists visitors to appreciate. This normally revolves around allowing business to make more money by having more tourists/visitors. When that happens the people that live here by choice and do not have a business interest suddenly find that tourist/visitors are abusing their home. By that I mean; (i) dumping rubbish in residential areas because there are no rubbish disposal places provided for visitors to use without charge; (ii) ignoring "NO DOGS" signs in Kiwi reserves; (iii) "freedom camping" in residential streets; (iv) using our parks and reserves to go to the toilet when freedom camping; (v) littering in public places because of lack of litter bins. In short, tourists/visitors, either intentionally or non-intentionally, lower the standard of this town for the people who choose this as their place to live and who have no interest in the higher prices charged locally because this
45	I think the Focus Paihia Group is wonderful and have nothing but praise for the changes we have seen over the time we've been coming to the Bay of Islands. I would like to get involved once there full time because I love the area so much and really feel the community spirit when I'm there. kind regards Donna
46	More jobs, more jobs and more jobs are necessary to keep our community growing and progressing.
47	No

