

About CoBoP



WHAT IS CoBoP?

Collaboration Bay of Plenty, or CoBoP, is a relationship network of all Bay of Plenty local and regional council Chief Executives, and regional managers of twenty-six central government agencies with Bay of Plenty responsibilities.

CoBoP's purpose is to promote the achievement of *local and regional* community aspirations and priorities through effective co-operation and collaboration and efficient use of resources.

WHY?

Local and central government are public service organizations and have responsibilities to serve the same populations. Complex issues faced by local and regional communities cannot be resolved through simple problem solving and solutions and single agency interventions. People working smartly at regional and local levels, with communities, have the potential to help develop strategies and responses which cannot be invented from the Centre. Knowing each other, and understanding respective businesses and ways of working, creates a platform for weaving together the best combinations of resources and policies, and together creating new possibilities along with communities in the Bay of Plenty.

WHEN?

COBoP initially started in 2005 and was called Community Outcomes Bay of Plenty. It came about as a result of the Local Government Act 2002 pointing to the expectation of more local-central government collaboration. In 2007, following a Review, COBoP re-shaped itself, and in 2008 developed new priority areas for focus. These are economic and Maori development, integrated infrastructure, and improving our practices around working together efficiently and effectively. In 2010 COBoP was re-named Collaboration Bay of Plenty (CoBoP).

HOW?

The Signatories (CEs and Regional Managers) meet together twice a year for a half day. Signatories, and members of their agencies work in Clusters (social, economic, cultural, community outcomes processes) to identify and respond to gaps and opportunities.

A Steering Group made up of three local government and four central government signatories, guides the ongoing work and provides leadership of Clusters. Cross Cluster and Cross Wellbeing workshops are also held.

WHO?

See following page for the list of Signatories to CoBoP.

Steering Group members:

Rob Williams, Chief Executive, Taupo District Council (Chair)
Fiona McTavish, Group Manager Strategic Development, BoP Regional Council
Russell George, Chief Executive, Kawerau District Council
Mike Bryant, Regional Commissioner, Ministry of Social Development
Lionel Crawley, Regional Manager New Zealand Trade and Enterprise
Wally Tangohau, Regional Manager Te Puni Kokiri
Helen Neale, Partnerships Manager, Department of Conservation
Jo Smith, Strategic Co-ordinator

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The following agencies are signatories to the COBoP network:

Bay of Plenty Regional Council	Ministry of Education
Kawerau District Council	Ministry of Health
Opotiki District Council	Ministry of Justice
Rotorua District Council	Ministry of Primary Industries
Taupo District Council	
Tauranga City Council	Ministry of Social Development
Western Bay of Plenty District Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work and Income NZ
Whakatane District Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family and Community Services
Accident Compensation Corporation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ministry of Youth Development
Bay of Plenty District Health Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Child, Youth and Family
Careers New Zealand	NZ Fire Service
Department of Conservation	NZ Police
Department of Corrections	NZ Trade and Enterprise
Department of Internal Affairs	NZ Transport Agency
Department of Inland Revenue	Te Puni Kokiri
Housing New Zealand Corporation	
Lakes District Health Board	
Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment	

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