Hello and welcome from Business Whangaparaoa, helping support local business.

Thank you for joining us this evening!! We are certain you will have a great event and will enjoy our excellent speaker (***speaker name***).

Before I begin, just some housekeeping ...

**Exits** – ***Point out emergency exits***

**Toilets** – ***point out location of toilets***

I’m excited to let you know Business Whangaparaoa continue the year with a number of events and activities which you will all find and can register for in our online calendar and newsletter links. Very briefly –

* We will continue the year with **our quarterly network events**. (***talk about next event date and speaker***)
* We, of course, have our **mid-year** and end of **year Christmas casual networking, drinks** **and nibbles**
* We have our **big Buy Local campaign** coming up (***details***)
* ***Give details on any other events or activities you’d like to mention***
* Also, if you are not a member but would like details on any events or our membership benefits please just let me know and make sure you are on our database.

Thank you.

Sponsors (***invite up to introduce themselves***) –

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board

Other sponsors

So now we come to our **keynote speaker** for the evening –

***This is where you’ll add 3-4 sentences to read by way of introduction to your speaker.***

Please welcome (***speaker name***)

Thank you, (***speaker name***), we really appreciate you giving your time today, and here’s just a small gift from us. (***wine or chocolates***)

So, before we release you to get another drink and more nibbles will be coming out very shortly, a quick reminder, we have a **table here with member information** so please check these out and support our local businesses who support us.

And once again **an appeal to any non-members** here, we rely on membership support as part of our survival - it’s only $199 + GST per annum and you get lots of benefits so please think about it.

Please now enjoy another drink, more lovely food, more networking and we look forward to seeing you at our events over the year …