

Rangitikei District Council

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 8 August 2017 – 11:00 am



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Present: Mr Pahia Turia (Chair)
Ms Tracey Hiroa
Mr Robert Gray
Mr Thomas Curtis
Ms Coral Raukawa-Manuel
Mr Charlie Mete
Mr Terry Steedman
Ms Jacqui Johnson (standing in for Ms Katarina Hina)
Mr Chris Shenton
Ms Naumai Wipaki
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Cath Ash

Also present: Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

In attendance: Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Ms Katrina Gray, Senior Policy Analyst / Planner
Ms Ellen Webb-Moore, Policy analyst/Planner

1 Karakia/Welcome

The meeting opened at 11.17am. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number

File Ref

That the apologies from Ms Kim Savage and Ms Hari Benevides be received.

Ms Hiroa / Mr Curtis. Carried

3 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4 Confirmation of order of business and late items

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, Singapore be dealt with as a late item at this meeting. Such matters will be dealt with at the end of this agenda.

The Chair accepted the late item.

5 Whakatau Nga Tuhinga Korero / Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number

17/IWI/022

File Ref

3-CT-8-2

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 13 June 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Steedman / Ms Raukawa-Manuel. Carried

6 Chair's report

The Chair noted that the matters he wished to discuss would be addressed through later items on the agenda.

7 Feedback on Komiti's workshop

The Komiti's workshop covered the following issues:

- Kaumatua – to be discussed with item 14.
- Maori Community Development programme – to be discussed with item 12.
- Youth awards – concerns were raised over Council decision-making processes.
- Maori wards – The Komiti still supports Council consideration for establishing Maori wards. It is important to have discussions with Council about the issue and to continue to develop relationships between iwi and Council.

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

The Komiti noted the Council decisions on previous recommendations from the Komiti.

9 Council responses to queries raised at previous hui

Emergency services/civil defence

A question was raised about how a Marae could become a community defence centre. Mr McNeil explained that local communities have community response plans, some of which are being reviewed later this year. The community response plan would be the appropriate location to include the Marae as a civil defence centre.

10 Update from Council's meetings from June to July 2017

Mr McNeil spoke to the memorandum and highlighted the following matters:

- Annual Plan – Council is undertaking more initiatives, but for a lower rates increase than initially proposed.
- Long Term Plan – Council is currently undertaking pre-consultation with key stakeholders.
- Annual Residents Survey – tracking relatively positively, nevertheless managers are developing improvement plans.
- Economic development – Council will be considering economic development initiatives through the Long Term Plan development process.

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That the memorandum 'Update from Council's meetings in June and July 2017' be received.

Mr Steedman / Mr Shenton. Carried

11 Update from the representative to Council's Assets/Infrastructure Committee

Ms Hiroa noted she was unable to attend the 13 July 2017 Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

12 Developing Maori Capacity to Contribute to Decision –Making

Ms Webb-Moore spoke to the report and highlighted the following matters:

- Council is seeking feedback from the Komiti.
- Templates were provided from other local authorities to provide examples of how other Statements might look.
- Suggestion that a working group be established to further discuss the piece of work.

Discussion was held about the Statement, with it being considered as a good opportunity for further engagement in economic development (particularly in terms of the Maori perspective on economic development), and as a key mechanism for reflecting the Komiti's aspirations.

A working group will be established to discuss the Statement prior to Council's workshop in September.

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That the memorandum 'Developing Maori Capacity To Contribute To Decision-Making' be received.

Mr Curtis / Mr Shenton. Carried

13 Draft Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017

Mr McNeil spoke to the report and highlighted the following matters:

- The draft Bylaw has arisen as a result of Council not being able to address persistent issues e.g. parking.
- The draft Bylaw has provision for restricting heavy vehicle use if significant issues are occurring on Council roads.
- Council is undertaking engagement with the heavy vehicle industry to refine the draft Bylaw.
- The current stage is consultation to seek feedback on the draft Bylaw.

Discussion was held around the potential impact of the Bylaw on the forestry industry. It was noted that the intent of the Bylaw is not to unduly restrict harvesting. The issue of mobility parking spaces in Taihape was raised, with the approach needing to be through the Taihape Community Board.

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That the memorandum 'Draft Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017' be received.

Mr Curtis / Ms Raukawa-Manuel. Carried

14 Guidance on the appropriate kaumātua and kuia to call upon

In the first instance the local Komiti member should be approached to discuss the appropriate kaumātua and kuia for the situation.

15 Maori Community Development programme

Discussion was held that the community development programme is intended to be shared around the District, and not as a competitive process.

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That the Komiti supports Ngati Hauiti's application to the Maori Community Development Programme for 2017/2018 and Ratana's application for 2018/2019.

Ms Hiroa / Ms Johnson. Carried

16 Update on landlocked land

The Mayor noted he is waiting for iwi representatives to be identified to make a joint approach to Parliament. Mr Steedman noted a letter with their representative will be provided soon.

17 Update on Te Pae Tawhiti

The Chair updated that the Te Pae Tawhiti group are working on a range of initiatives, but are constrained with resourcing issues. Work is being done with Te Puni Kokiri to address the resourcing constraints. The most significant project is the development of a Maori business hub in Whanganui.

18 Update on the 'Path to Well-Being' initiative – June 2017

The report was taken as read.

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That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative – July 2017' be received.

Mr Steedman / Mr Turia. Carried

19 Panui/Announcements

Ms Johnson reported that Kauangaroa Marae is planning to relocate due to the flooding hazard associated with the existing site. Potential sites are being considered. Council support for the project would be appreciated. Mr McNeil noted similarities with the recent Whangaehu resilience project which could be applied to the Kauangaroa context.

Mr Steedman updated that part of Winiata Marae is being renovated in anticipation for the upcoming Waitangi Tribunal hearing occurring at the Marae later in the year.

Ms Raukawa-Manuel updated that the Tini Waitara Marae site is having a new building constructed on the site to provide for conference facilities/sleeping.

20 Late items

Singapore

Mayor Watson updated on the progress in the proposal for Singapore to have F15 aircraft based from Ohakea. A trial with F16 aircrafts will occur later in the year, with Singapore undertaking a range of feasibility assessments.

21 Future Items for the Agenda

None identified.

22 Next meeting

Tuesday 10 October 2017, 11am

23 Upcoming meetings for 2017

- 5 December

24 Meeting closed/Karakia

1.23pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: