



Rangitikei District Council

Te Rōpu Ahi Kā Komiti Hui

Minutes – Tuesday 13 August 2019 – 11:00 a.m.

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Present: Mr Pahia Turia (Chair)
Ms Tracey Hiroa
Mr Robert Gray
Ms Kim Savage
Mr Thomas Curtis
Ms Coral Raukawa-Manuel
Mr Chris Shenton
Mr Terry Steedman
Cr Angus Gordon
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

In attendance: Ms Soraya Peke-Mason
Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Arno Benadie, Principal Advisor Infrastructure
Mr Lequan Meihana, Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua
Ms Christin Ritchie, Governance Administrator

1 Karakia/Welcome

The meeting opened at 11.07am. The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

That the apology for Mr Charlie Mete, Ms Hari Benevides and Ms Naumai Wipaki be received.

Mr T Curtis / Mr T Steedman. 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.

There were 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, Bonnie Glen, Infrastructure Update and Council induction be dealt with as a late item at this meeting. Such matters will be dealt with at the end of this agenda.

5 Whakatau Nga Tuhinga Kōrero / Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number	19/IWI/018	File Ref	3-CT-8-2
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That the Minutes of the Te Rōpu Ahi Kā Komiti meeting held on 11 June 2019 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms T Hiroa / Mr C Shenton. Carried

6 Chair's Report

Mr Turia update the Komiti regarding:

- The 700 hectare block on Ongo Road, which has been acquired by Te Rūnanga o Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa, and will provide updates in regards to the development.
- The hemp session was well attended by a large cross section of people, and were updated with some interesting perspectives.

7 Feedback on the Komiti's Workshop

The MoU Tutohinga was discussed in the pre hui workshop. There is some work to be done on the document, and some amendments/additions have been made and given to Lequan Meihana for consideration.

Chairman Grant Huwyler has been asked to submit a set of values. These will need to be worked through with Council to ensure everyone is on board.

Ideally the value statements will be a decision matrix for Council to use. The need to be able to be translated into actions.

Workshops will be held, possibly as part of the new Council induction.

Undertaking	Subject	MoU Draft
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Lequan Meihana to circulate a final draft of the MoU to the Komiti within the next 2 weeks.		
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8 Council Decisions on Recommendations from the Komiti

There were no recommendations to Council made at the previous hui.

9 Council Responses to Queries Raised at Previous Hui

Creative Communities Initiative membership

The Komiti noted the commentary in the agenda.

Rātana wastewater plant update

A verbal update was provided as part of agenda item 10.

10 Update from Council's meetings June – July 2019

Mr Ross McNeil provided a summary on the report:

- A public meeting was held to discuss the future of the current Mangaweka Bridge. A proposal was made to establish a trust which would be responsible for sourcing funding as well as the maintenance. Rangitikei and Manawatū Councils will make the final decision.
- A heads of agreement has been signed with Ngāti Wairiki – Ngāti Apa regarding access to suitable land for the disposal of waste from the Bulls wastewater treatment plant. NZ Defence force has confirmed interest in being a trade waste customer. A 2-5 years transition is planned before we are fully utilising land based disposal methods.
- Confirmation is being sought from the Ministry for the Environment that the delayed timing of the Rātana Pā wastewater project will not affect funding availability.
- The next phase of the Tutaenui water scheme is to hand over to the famers/land owners to take the project forward to construction phase.
- The project team, architect and engineers for the Bulls Multi-purpose community centre are working to finalise the decorative elements of the building. Ngā Wairiki-Ngāti Apa and Ngāti Parewahawaha are involved in this process. Eligibility for funding for this is being explored with Creative New Zealand.
- WSP-Opus have started work on the concept designs for the Marton Centre. They are looking to retain the street facades and the interior of the Davenport Building because

of its heritage value. Once completed costed designs are available, a community consultation process will begin.

- Council is working with Clubs Taihape on a design for the Memorial Park Development. Preferences are for a 2 storey building. Clubs Taihape are to commit to funding for the top storey (form their own funds and from external sources), while Council will fund the amenities on the lower level.
- Council is working with WSP Opus to identify the extent of the Putorino landfill site. Drone images show that the river has only clipped the edge of the dump site, which is mostly filled with construction materials. Test have also been undertaken to determine if the site is contaminated. Council is looking to prevent further degradation. Costs to dispose of the dumped material is too high, and alternatives are being sought to protect/contain the site.

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That the report 'Update from Council's meetings June - July 2019' to the 13 August 2019 Te Rōpu Ahi Kā Komiti be received.

Ms C Raukawa-Manuel / Mr T Curtis

11.55am Mr Terry Steedman left the meeting.

11 Values

This was discussed in the pre hui workshop, and in the Chair's report.

12 Review of Memorandum –TūtoHINGA

Mr Lequan Meihana acknowledged the feedback/submissions from the Komiti provided, and will undertake to amend the MoU.

Resolved minute number **19/IWI/020** **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Review of the Memorandum of Understanding: TūtoHINGA' to the 13 August 2019 Te Rōpu Ahi Kā Komiti be received.

Ms T Hiroa / Mr C Shenton. Carried

13 Update on Discussions with Ngāti Waewae

Mr Lequan Meihana provided an update to the Komiti:

- A collective hui was held in Palmerston North with Rangitīkei, Manawatū, Ruapehu, and Taumarunui Councils. It was agreed that each Council would have a separate hui with Ngāti Waewae.
- Representatives of Rangitīkei District Council met with Ngāti Waewae, who expressed an interest in forming a relationship. Their main concerns were around the Rangitīkei River.

- Joining Te Rōpu Ahi Kā was suggested as one option. However, Council will need to consult with the surrounding Hapū/Iwi prior to a decision being made.
- Another meeting will be held on 13 September, where Council and Ngāti Waewae will present their expectations and how they see this relationship working and what's involved.

14 Horizons Update

Mr Twomey was not present to provide an update.

15 Update on Landlocked Land

No update was provided.

16 Update on Te Pae Tawhiti

No update was provided.

17 Policy and Community Planning Project and Activity Report – June 2019

The report was taken as read.

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That the report 'Policy and Community Planning Project and Activity Report – June 2019' to the 13 August 2019 Te Rōpu Ahi Kā Komiti be received.

Mr T Curtis / Mr R Gray. Carried

18 Economic Development Project and Activity Report – July 2019

The report was taken as read.

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That the report 'Economic Development Project and Activity Report – July 2019' to the 13 August 2019 Te Rōpu Ahi Kā Komiti be received.

Mr C Shenton / Ms K Savage. Carried

19 2019 Māori Legal, Business and Governance Forum

The Komiti noted the commentary in the agenda.

20 Pānui/Announcements

Nil.

21 Late Items

As accepted in item 4.

Bonny Glen Landfill

Mr Curtis asked about the reported disposal of 1080 from the West Coast at Bonny Glen Landfill. Mr McNeil provided comment:

- Bonny Glen operates under a consent granted to MidWest Disposals which allows for the disposal of 1080 on site. There is a process to follow as part of the consent, which was done.
- The Department of Conservation also has a licence issued by the Environmental Protection Authority for the use and disposal of 1080 and were within their rights to dispose of the 1080.
- Bonny Glen is most likely the best place to dispose of the 1080 due to the strict regulations imposed.
- Bonny Glen is not a Council owned facility.

Infrastructure update

Mr Benadie provided an infrastructure update to the Komiti:

- It is proposed that Council use this forum to discuss future projects at concept stage.
- Bulls wastewater – the plan is to ultimately dispose of wastewater via land. Currently this is being pumped into the Tutaenui Stream. As an interim measure, wastewater will be pumped into the Rangitikei, to try and rehabilitate the Tutaenui.
- Hunterville – the current volume consent is not high enough to meet demands.

Council Induction

His Worship the Mayor, reminded the Komiti of the upcoming elections and inductions for new councillors. He suggested that this would be a good opportunity for Te Rōpu Ahi Kā to be involved in the swearing in.

22 Future Items for the Agenda

Infrastructure Update

23 Next Meeting

8 October 2019 11.00 am (Komiti only hui from 10.00 - 11.00 am)

24 Meeting closed/Karakia

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: