



Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Maori Standing Committee

12.30pm Friday 22 January 2016 held in the Council Chamber, Wairoa District Council, Coronation Square, Wairoa.

Present: Graeme Symes (Chairman) (Rakaipaaka)

E Foster (Wairoa Honengenenge), K Hammond (Wairoa Hopupu), G Hawkins (Pahauwera), P Kelly (Wairoa Matangirau), S Jury (Wairoa Whanui), H Nissen (Ruakituri), P Whaanga (Mahia Mai Tawhiti)
Councillors: M Bird & H Flood.

C McGimpsey (Governance Advisor and Policy Strategist)
S Jane (Business Support Officer)
D Tipoki (Maori Relationships Manager)

Procedural Items

1. Karakia

The karakia was given by Mr K Hammond.

2. Apologies for absence

His Worship the Mayor C Little

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

<p><u>Resolved:</u> <i>That the standing orders be suspended for the duration of the meeting.</i></p>
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Symes/Nissen

4. Items of Urgent Business not on the Agenda

None

5. Public Participation

None.

General Items

6. Report on Draft Maori Policy

Ms E Foster entered the meeting at 12.35pm

Committee members discussed comments and amendments to the Working Together Principles proposed under Appendix B.

Changes were made to the following principles:

- Pono
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- Tohungatanga
- Whakawhanaungatanga
- Te Tiriti/Treaty
- Kotahitanga
- Principle of Kaumatuatanga – Elder Knowledge
- Ko te Reo Maori

Committee members discussed the proposed amendments to the Maori Policy attached as Appendix A to the report.

Additional changes were made to Appendix A:

- Selection of a local proverb
- Amendment to definition of “takiwa” in section 1.3
- Amended Working together principles section (as outlined above in reference to Appendix B)
- Amendment to Section 6
- Amendment to “whakapapa” in the glossary
- Inclusion of “kawenga” in the glossary
- Inclusion of macrons as required throughout the document

Officers were asked to include the changes in the policy and to circulate this document to committee members once completed.

Councillor Flood left the meeting at 2.11pm.

The Maori Relationships Manager gave an update on the Waihi Dam and asked if the Committee would like to be an advocate on this issue.

Mr P Whaanga gave an update on forestry slash on the Mahia Peninsula and a meeting he had attended at Taylors Beach.

There being no further General Business Mr Symes declared the meeting closed.

CLOSED: The meeting closed at **2.39pm.**

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Chair