



Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Council

1.30pm Tuesday 24 January 2017 held in the Council Chamber, Wairoa District Council, Queen Street, Wairoa.

Chair: His Worship the Mayor Mr C Little
Present: Councillors: M Bird, D Eaglesome-Karekare (Deputy Mayor), H Flood, M Johansen (arrived 3.11pm), C Lambert.

In attendance: H Montgomery (Chief Operating Officer)
J Cox (Engineering Manager)
K Tipuna (Communications Strategist)
C Knight (Governance Advisor & Policy Strategist)
D Tipoki (Māori Relationships Manager)
K Hammond (MSC Member)
P Kelly (MSC Member)
W Maindonald (MSC Member)
P Whaanga (MSC Member)

Procedural Items

1. Karakia

The karakia was given by Councillor Lambert.

2. Apologies for Absence

Cr Harker

Cr Johansen (for lateness)

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

4. Chairman's Announcements

None.

5. Items of Urgent Business not on the Agenda

- Confidential – Shortlisting of applicants for QRS Directorship position

6. Public Participation

None.

General Items

7. Statement of Proposal: Draft Local Easter Sunday Shop Trading Policy

Council discussed:

- Giving community the chance to give their views and decide if the district wanted to give shops the opportunity to trade

<u>Resolved:</u>	<p><i>That Council:</i></p> <p><i>a) receive the report; and,</i></p> <p><i>b) Consult the public on the statement of proposal attached as Appendix 1</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Eaglesome-Karekare/Lambert</i></p>
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8. Te Wairoa Boundary Signage

Vision Projects presented the options regarding wording to Council.

Cr Flood sought a point of clarity regarding the use of 'Te Wairoa' and requested the response be noted in the minutes.

Officer response: Council is not changing the name of Wairoa to Te Wairoa. There is a specific process for this; an application must be received by the NZ Geographic Board to propose an alteration or to change the name 'Wairoa' to 'Te Wairoa'. Applications can be made by anyone. No applications to the NZGB to propose a change to the district's name have been developed, or are currently being developed by Council. However – this does not mean that an application could not be developed in the future by anyone in the community.

There are guidelines in the legislation (NZGB Act 2008) about naming conventions. The only official name recognised by the NZGB Gazetteer is 'Wairoa District' and as per the legislation, this naming convention must appear in official documentation (including signage). We have been working with the NZGB to ensure Council is complying with the requisite legislation but also seeking their advice in terms of our want to acknowledge the proper use of 'te reo Māori' in our official documentation (including signage).

The Communications Strategist suggested that language specialists currently attending the meeting (including Kiwa Hammond) from the MSC could discuss the appropriateness of the naming convention 'Te Wairoa'. MSC member Kiwa

Hammond confirmed that 'Te Wairoa' is the appropriate way to refer to Wairoa and the Wairoa district in te reo Māori.

Council discussed:

- NZTA requirements
- Placement of sign
- Use of Te Wairoa
- Reo Rua strategy and community goal
- Revision of Māori and English farewell message

Resolved: *That Council chooses option 5 with following amended wording on the farewell sign:*
 Māori: "Hoki mai anō ki Te Wairoa"
 English: "Come back again to the Wairoa District"
Eaglesome-Karekare/Flood

9. Draft Media Protocol

The Communications Strategy will be presented to Council at their meeting in February or March this year.

Resolved: *That Council:*
 a) Receive the report
 b) Adopt the Media Protocol attached as Appendix 1.
Eaglesome-Karekare/Lambert

10. Wairoa Destination Playground

Vision Projects gave a presentation on the next steps for the playground project.

Council discussed:

- Proposed site and costs of elevation to avoid flood damage
- Site visit for Council meeting in February to see proposed site of playground
- Timeline of completion of the project and associated resourcing requirements
- Possibility for additional funding for elevation of proposed site dependent on outcome of design phase
- Alternative sites for playground
- Continued commitment to the project
- Fencing of the site

Cr Bird left the meeting at 3.01pm

Cr Bird entered the meeting at 3.03pm

Cr Johansen entered the meeting at 3.11pm

Resolved:

That Council:

- a) *Accept the outsourced funds from the various funding bodies on behalf of the Wairoa Young Achievers Trust; and,*
- b) *Direct the CEO to provide a report at the 14 February meeting which outlines work of both Vision Projects and the Engineering Department on the entire estimated project costs – including site elevation works and fencing.*

Eaglesome-Karekare/Little

11. Resolution to Exclude the Public

Resolved:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

1. Waihi Dam Prosecution Issues – Discussion
2. Late item – Shortlisting of applicants for QRS Directorship

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded; the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) to the passing of this resolution
	That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to:	48(1)(a) That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist:
Waihi Dam Prosecution Issues - Discussion	Section 6 (a) to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial;	(i) where the local authority is named or specified in the Schedule 1 to this Act, under section 6 or section 7 (except section 7(2)(f)(i)) [of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987]
Late item - Shortlisting of	Section 7 (2) (a) protect the privacy of	(i) where the local authority is named or

applicants for QRS Directorship	natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons	specified in the Schedule 1 to this Act, under section 6 or section 7 (except section 7(2)(f)(i)) [of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987]
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THAT Mr K Hammond, Mr P Kelly, Mr P Whaanga, and Ms W Maindonald be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of Waihi Dam Prosecution Issues. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed, is relevant to that matter because the Māori Standing Committee have been involved in the Council's processes around the Waihi Dam.

Little/Lambert

PUBLIC EXCLUDED: 3.24PM

READMITTED: 3.39PM

Release of confidential information

No confidential items were released from the minutes.

Cr Lambert gave a closing karakia.

There being no further General Business the Mayor declared the meeting closed.

CLOSED: The meeting closed at **3.41pm.**

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Chair