

I hereby give notice that a meeting of Horizons Regional Council will be held on:

Date: Wednesday, 16 December 2020

Time: 1.00pm

Venue: Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council

11-15 Victoria Avenue Palmerston North

# REGIONAL COUNCIL AGENDA

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#### **AGENDA**

#### 1 WELCOME / KARAKIA

#### 2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

At the close of the Agenda no apologies had been received.

**PUBLIC FORUMS:** Are designed to enable members of the public to bring matters, not on that meeting's agenda, to the attention of the local authority.

**DEPUTATIONS:** Are designed to enable a person, group or organisation to speak to an item on the agenda of a particular meeting.

Requests for Public Forums / Deputations must be made to the meeting secretary by 12 noon on the working day before the meeting. The person applying for a Public Forum or a Deputation must provide a clear explanation for the request which is subsequently approved by the Chairperson.

**PETITIONS:** Can be presented to the local authority or any of its committees, so long as the subject matter falls within the terms of reference of the council or committee meeting being presented to.

Written notice to the Chief Executive is required at least 5 working days before the date of the meeting. Petitions must contain at least 20 signatures and consist of fewer than 150 words (not including signatories).

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#### 4 SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass a resolution to permit the Committee/Council to consider any further items relating to items following below which do not appear on the Order Paper of this meeting and/or the meeting to be held with the public excluded.

Such resolution is required to be made pursuant to Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended), and the Chairperson must advise:

- (i) The reason why the item was not on the Order Paper, and
- (ii) The reason why the discussion of this item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

#### 5 MEMBER'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of the items on this Agenda.



Minutes of the eleventh meeting of the eleventh triennium of Horizons Regional Council (Live Streamed) held at 10.00am on Tuesday 24 November 2020, in the Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

PRESENT Crs RJ Keedwell (Chair), AL Benbow (via audio visual link), EM Clarke,

DB Cotton, SD Ferguson, EB Gordon, FJT Gordon, WM Kirton, JM Naylor, NJ Patrick (via audio visual link), WK Te Awe Awe, and

GJ Turkington.

IN ATTENDANCE Chief Executive Mr MJ McCartney

Group Manager

Corporate and Governance Mr C Grant
Committee Secretary Mrs KA Tongs

**ALSO PRESENT** At various times during the meeting:

Dr N Peet (Group Manager Strategy & Regulation), Dr J Roygard (Group Manager Natural Resources & Partnerships), Mr R Strong (Group Manager River Management), Mr G Shirley (Group Manager Regional Services & Information), Mr A Smith (Chief Financial Officer), Mr T Bowen (Climate Action Strategy), Ms C Morrison (Media & Communications Manager), Mrs M Smith (Communications Advisor), Ms Janine Smart and other members of the Foxton Beach Progressive Association, Mr David McCorkindale (Horowhenua

District Council), and a member of the press.

#### WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Cr Te Awe Awe to say a Karakia.

#### **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

#### **PUBLIC FORUMS / DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS**

There were no requests for public speaking rights.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS**

There were no supplementary items to be considered.

#### **MEMBERS' CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.



#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

20-144 Moved

Naylor/Ferguson

That the minutes of the Regional Council meeting held on 22 September 2020 as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.

**CARRIED** 

#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

20-145 Moved

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Regional Council meeting held on 10 November 2020 as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.

Ferguson/F Gordon

**CARRIED** 

#### PRESENTATION: FOXTON BEACH COMMUNITY PLAN

Report No 20-163

Ms Janine Smart spoke on behalf of the Foxton Beach Progressive Association and gave an overview of the current new growth and future growth in the Foxton community in association with the new road from Wellington, and the implications of that on the environment. Ms Smart highlighted the proposed community plan which had been created in association with Horowhenua District Council.

20-146 Moved Clarke/Ferguson

It is recommended that Council:

a. receives the presentation from the Foxton Beach Community.

**CARRIED** 

#### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

The Chief Executive presented his report and mentioned areas of interest. He also highlighted the recent Commercial Office Excellence Award received for the Te Ao Nui building.

20-147 Moved Keedwell/Turkington

That the Chief Executive's report be received.

**CARRIED** 



#### **CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGY**

Report No 20-160

This report sought adoption by Council of a strategy to guide Horizons' action in response to climate change. Mr Bowen (Principal Advisor, Strategy & Policy) took the item as read and after discussion, a minor change to the wording on page 31 was agreed; 'carbon emissions' was amended to 'greenhouse gas emissions'. A new recommendation c. was added.

#### 20-148 Moved

#### Ferguson/F Gordon

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-160 and Annex.
- b. adopts the attached Climate Action Strategy.
- c. ensures a review of the Climate Action Strategy emission targets is completed by the end of 2021.

#### **CARRIED**

# COUNCILLORS' WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE - 15 SEPTEMBER TO 17 NOVEMBER 2020

Report No 20-161

This item noted the Councillors' Workshop Attendance from 15 September to 17 November 2020. It was mentioned that the wording beside Cr F Gordon's name for the 10 November 2020 workshop should have read '(an apology for lateness)'.

#### 20-149 Moved

#### Naylor/Kirton

It is recommended that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-161 and Annex.

#### **CARRIED**

#### **AFFIXING OF THE COMMON SEAL**

Report No 20-162

This item reported on documents to which Horizons Regional Council's Common Seal had been affixed.

#### 20-150 Moved

#### Naylor/Kirton

That the Council:

- a. acknowledges the affixing of the Common Seal to the below mentioned documents.
  - Lease: Renewal

Lessee: D&W Woolston

Area: 14.36ha

Location: Miro St, Manunui

Period: 1 July 2020 - 30 June 2029



• Lease: Renewal

Lessee: Poplar Partnership

Area: 123.4321ha

Location: Poplar Road, Foxton Period: 1 July 2020 – 30 June 2029

• Lease: Renewal

Lessee: Poplar Partnership

Area: 32.00ha

Location: Kerekere Road, Foxton Period: 1 July 2020 – 30 June 2029

• Lease: Renewal

Lessee: Daresbury Dairies Ltd

Area: 68.50ha

Location: Riverbank Road

Period: 1 July 2020 - 30 June 2029

#### Warrant Cards

**Enforcement Officer** 

- o Carla Hoch
- o Amber Filleul
- Oriana Van Nistelrooy
- o Lauren Edwards
- o Christine Martelletti
- Warrant Card

Enforcement Officer

o Carina Hickey

Warrant Cards

Enforcement Officers

- Bryony Hall
- o Georgia Tyree
- Lease: Renewal

Lessee: Jilsen Group Ltd

Area: 3.7ha

Location: Miro St, Taumaranui Period: 1 July 2020 – 30 June 2029

#### **CARRIED**

#### RECEIPT AND ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

# REPORT OF AUDIT, RISK & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 22 SEPTEMBER 2020

20-151 Moved Naylor/B Gordon

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Audit, Risk & Investment Committee meeting held on 22 September 2020.

**CARRIED** 



# REPORT OF STRATEGY & POLICY COMMITTEE - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 13 OCTOBER 2020

20-152 Moved Naylor/Ferguson

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Strategy & Policy Committee meeting held on 13 October 2020.

**CARRIED** 

# REPORT OF PASSENGER TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 20 OCTOBER 2020

20-153 Moved Ferguson/F Gordon

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Passenger Transport Committee meeting held on 20 October 2020, with the addition of 'attending other Council business' following Cr Patrick's name in resolution PT20-15.

**CARRIED** 

# REPORT OF STRATEGY & POLICY COMMITTEE - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 10 NOVEMBER 2020

20-154 Moved Kirton/Ferguson

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Strategy & Policy Committee meeting held on 10 November 2020.

**CARRIED** 

# REPORT OF ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 11 NOVEMBER 2020

20-155 Moved Naylor/Te Awe Awe

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Environment Committee meeting held on 11 November 2020.

**CARRIED** 



#### PROCEDURAL MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

#### 20-156 Moved

#### Keedwell/Naylor

THAT the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting. The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason 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 follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 and section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

#### **CARRIED**

	eral subject of each matter considered	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	
PX1	Confirmation of Public Excluded Meeting held on 22 September 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
PX2	Confirmation of Public Excluded Extraordinary Meeting held on 10 November 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
PX3	Report of Audit, Risk & Investment Committee Meeting - Receive and Adopt Resolutions and recommendations – 22 September 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

PX4

Council / Committee to consider whether any item in the Public Excluded minutes can be moved into the public domain and define the extent of the release

The meeting adjourned to the Public	Excluded part of the	e meeting at 11.12am	and resumed at
11.15am.		_	

The meeting closed at 11.16am.		
Confirmed		
CHIEF EXECUTIVE	CHAIR	





# CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

Tuesday, 24 November 2020

#### Introduction

- 1. This report updates Members on key organisational activities and also serves to brief Members on key national and sector issues of relevance to Horizons Regional Council. In support, a number of annexed items are supplied as part of/expanding on points raised in this report, they are:
  - Annex A Council Update
  - Annex B Regional Leadership Group Resurgence Strategy
  - Annex C Cover Agenda for Regional Sector Meeting (27 November 2020)
  - Annex D RCEO Group Update to Regional Sector Meeting (27 November 2020)
- 2. Members are asked to view the upcoming activities in the Council Update (Annex A) and advise us of any meetings/events that may be of interest.

#### Planning and Policy

- 3. Council has been on an intense and detailed journey with respect to the compilation of the 2021-31 Long-term Plan (LTP). Having worked through numerous workshops covering Council's strategic directions, guiding policies and operational activities we are now at a point of overlaying the financial/rating implications of a future LTP work plan. As Council is aware, the demands on our business arising from current and future national policy directives are significant and are likely to dominate the balance sheet going forward, hence the need for detailed activity planning for all three years of the LTP.
- 4. Indications suggest that many regional councils are facing significant financial/rating challenges due to the common demands arising from government policy. Navigating this at a time of economic uncertainty and potential hardship is a significant challenge.
- 5. The Hearing Panel has concluded its hearings related to Plan Change 2 (One Plan). At the time of writing this report the decision was still pending. We anticipate it will be released prior to Christmas 2020.

#### Transport

6. On 3 November 2020 the scheduled meeting of the Accessing Central North Island Governance Group took place. Key project topics on the agenda related to O2NL and Te Ahu a Turanga. The other project of interest is the Palmerston North Regional Freight Ring Road, which is in its business case phase. The recent government backed KiwiRail Palmerston North Freight Hub project is well aligned to the Ring Road project.



#### Regulatory

- 7. A considerable amount of time has been spent defining the future resourcing requirements in the regulatory area, arising from the new National Environmental Standards for Freshwater (NES-FW). Some of this work has included meeting with industry/stakeholder groups to talk through the implications of the new NES-FW.
- 8. Consent volumes continue to be steady with a number of large scale infrastructure projects being subject to regulatory processes. The most high profile of these has been Te Ahu a Turanga. The Commissioners have released their decision to grant consent, essentially paving the way for the substantive works to proceed as scheduled.
- 9. The trends around compliance are consistent with last year. As summer approaches we expect more enquiries around water takes and air quality specifically burning.
- 10. As Members are aware, we are in the process of meeting with the respective territorial authorities in our region to talk though opportunities and challenges for local government in our region. High on that agenda is the need for improvement in infrastructure that impacts on environmental outcomes. In some cases the degree of non-compliance with consents (particularly wastewater) is concerning.

#### River Management

- 11. A number of scheme meetings have taken place during the period related to either general updates or project specific engagements. The government funded resilience projects have prompted interest and there is a need to update stakeholders as to the implications of these projects. Liaison meetings are about to commence.
- **12.** With the drier months emerging the construction and key maintenance programmes will kick in at pace.

#### Accelerate25 - Regional Economic Growth

13. A meeting of the Accelerate 25 (A25) Lead Team was held on 20 November 2020. The key item on the agenda was to receive the final version of the A25 refresh. Once approved by the Lead Team it will be referred to Regional Chiefs, who A25 ultimately report to. At that point the refresh will be referred to each member council as required. Each council can consider how it wishes to engage in the refresh and what areas it may seek to support.

#### **Emergency Management**

14. Horizons and the group remain on standby for any possible COVID-19 resurgence. Part of the government directive was to establish a Regional Leadership Group for any resurgence and to prepare a Regional Leadership Group Resurgence Strategy (the Strategy). Horizons facilitated this work and completed the Strategy in October 2020; a copy of the Strategy is provided at Annex B.



#### Jobs for Nature/Climate Resilience Projects

15. All but one or two contracts with government for Jobs for Nature (JFN) and Shovel Ready have been signed and work is underway. In terms of JFN, several new staff have joined Horizons, either on fixed-term or full-time employment contracts. The workload will be very demanding as the timeframe for work completion is tight. Given the demands on delivering on essentially \$50 million of unplanned recovery projects, we have been very measured about committing to subsequent rounds of funding. As Members are aware, there is a regional contribution required to unlock government funding and that contribution invariably lands in the rate line.

#### Hui-ā-lwi

- **16.** Recently, Horizons enabled a regional Hui-ā-lwi for leaders across the Rohe. Di Grennell (ex Te Puni Kōkiri and A25 Lead Team member) facilitated the two day hui, held in Marton.
- 17. The hui was well attended with excellent engagement from approximately 40 iwi representatives from all parts of the region.
- 18. Topics discussed included:
  - Freshwater Policy formulation in the region and the role of iwi/Māori
  - Role of iwi/Māori on the Climate Action Committee
  - Role of iwi/Māori in Civil Defence Emergency Management
  - Discussions around iwi/Māori representation
  - Listening to issues, challenges and opportunities in working with Horizons as seen by iwi/Māori
- 19. A number of actions arose from the hui and we will report to Council more fully on these in due course.

#### **National Issues**

- 20. The Regional Sector is holding its first post-general election meeting on 27 November 2020. A copy of the cover agenda for that meeting is provided at Annex C. On 4 and 5 November 2020 the Regional and Unitary Council Chief Executive Officers' Group (RCEO Group) and the Chief Executives' Environment Economy Forum (CEEEF) held its meetings respectively. A copy of the RCEO Group Update to the 27 November 2020 Regional Sector meeting is attached at Annex D, this will provide some detail on the topics discussed at both the RCEO Group and CEEEF meetings.
- 21. Members will be aware that government has exercised a major set of policy programmes to roll-out over the next three years. Most, if not all, of these programmes will impact on the work of regional councils in some shape or form. The sector is keen to establish constructive and informative relationships with the new government and key ministries to ensure any national policy roll-out has localism considerations in the mix.

Michael McCartney
CHIEF EXECUTIVE





#### **COUNCIL UPDATE**

From 1 October 2020 to 30 November 2020

#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### Ruapehu

#### River Management

1. Staff met with Ngāti Hāua and Ruapehu District Council (RuaDC) staff river management matters including fencing of berm land along the right bank of the Whanganui River through Taumarunui.

#### Whanganui

#### Natural Resources & Partnerships

2. Staff attended Ngā Wai Ora o te Whangaehu Freshwater Improvement Fund Governance Group meeting on 22 October 2020.

#### River Management

3. Whangaehu-Mangawhero Scheme meeting was held in Whanganui on 4 November 2020.

#### Regional Services & Information

- 4. Emergency Management Office (EMO) participated in Media/Public Information Management forum in Whanganui on 9 November 2020.
- 5. EMO conducted a marine oil spill exercise at the Whanganui Port on 12 November 2020.
- 6. 20 October 2020 Staff attended the Whanganui Safety & Wellbeing/Safer Communities Meeting
- 7. 4 November 2020 child car seat checking clinic at Te Kōhanga Reo.
- 8. 13 November 2020 'On the Road off the Phone' campaign launched in Whanganui.
- 9. 14 November 2020 quadbike information and education day at Kaiwhaiki Marae new community initiative.
- 10. 30 November 2020 Know the Code refresher course for senior drivers in Whanganui.
- 11. The first meeting of the re-established Whanganui Public Transport Advisory Group is being held on 2 December 2020.
- 12. Improvements to the Whanganui urban bus services come into effect on 7 December 2020. The main focus is to improve legibility and ease of use of the timetable and route information for customers. Promotion of the changes commenced 23 November 2020.

#### Strategy & Regulation

- 13. Staff supported RMA training for Te Rūnanga o Tūpoho on 7 October 2020 and 26 November 2020.
- 14. Te Kopuka met on 28 October 2020.
- 15. Staff attended a climate change workshop with tangata whenua hosted by Whanganui District Council on 3 November 2020.



#### Manawatū

#### Natural Resources & Partnerships

16. Staff attended a Manawatū Freshwater Improvement Fund Governance Group meeting at Horizons on 23 October 2020.

#### River Management

- 17. Work continues on the project to address the impacts of gravel buildup/beach development on the alignment of the Manawatū River between Palmerston North and Ashhurst.
- 18. Working with Manawatū District Council (MDC) in re-establishing the riverside pathways along the Oroua River within Feilding.
- 19. Hui held with Ngāti Kauwhata representatives regarding maintenance works for the Oroua River between Awahuri and Feilding.

#### Regional Services & Information

- 20. EMO attended a Manawatū Emergency Management Committee meeting on 21 October 2020.
- 21. 13 November 2020 Know the Code refresher course for senior drivers in Feilding.
- 22. 2 December 2020 road safety staff will be attending and manning a stall at the upcoming Senior Expo in Feilding.
- 23. 9 December 2020 roadside child restraint and seatbelt checks planned with NZ Police and Plunket.

#### Strategy & Regulation

24. Staff attended a meeting of Ngā Manu Tāiko meeting at MDC on 13 October 2020.

#### Tararua

#### River Management

- 25. 29 September 2020 liaison and consent consultation with Ngāti Kahungunu ki Tāmaki-Nui-ā-rua.
- 26. 1 October 2020 liaison and consent consultation with Ngāti Rangitāne ki Tamaki-nui-ā-rua.
- 27. 8 October 2020 catch-up with Tararua Alliance.
- 28. 29-30 October 2020 Te Kāuru Taiao road trip.

#### Regional Services & Information

- 29. 26 October 2020 road safety coordinator assisted on Central Hawke's Bay's public holiday Fatigue Stop in Waipukurau.
- 30. 27 October 2020 Dannevirke Community Vehicle meeting.
- 31. 11 & 25 November 2020 road side child restraint and seatbelt checks with NZ Police and Plunket in Dannevirke and Pahiatua.
- 32. 20 & 23 November 2020 Know the Code refresher course for senior drivers in Dannevirke and Pahiatua.

#### Strategy & Regulation

- 33. Staff participated in a Tararua Partner Farms plantain update at Woodville on 7 October 2020.
- 34. Staff met with Ngāti Kahungunu ki Tāmaki-Nui-ā-rua on 11 November 2020.

#### Palmerston North City

#### River Management

- 35. Community and stakeholder consultation underway for the development of Marae Tarata (former Awapuni gravel site) with Palmerston North City Council (PNCC).
- 36. Discussions with PNCC regarding the construction of a BMX/mountain bike track on Fitzroy Bend, Manawatū River.



37. 2 October 2020 – meeting with Tanenuiarangi Manawatū Incorporated staff re River Management activity.

#### Regional Services & Information

- 38. Manawatū-Whanganui Civil Defence Emergency Management Coordinating Executive Group meeting hosted by Horizons on 7 October 2020.
- 39. Manawatū-Whanganui Rural Coordination Group meeting hosted by Horizons on 7 November 2020.
- 40. Manawatū-Whanganui Civil Defence Emergency Management Coordinating Executive Group meeting hosted by Horizons on 25 November 2020.
- 41. In response to the Employment Relations Amendment Act relating to driver breaks, new timetables for the Palmerston North Urban and Massey bus services were launched. on 6 December 2020. The opportunity has been taken to also improve the legibility and ease of use of timetable and route information for customers. Promotion of the changes commenced 9 November 2020.
- 42. 22 October 2020 child car seat checking clinic at Dot Kids Early Learning Centre.
- 43. 16 November 2020 Know the Code refresher course for senior drivers.
- 44. A meeting of the Palmerston North Bus Network Review Governance Group was held on 30 November 2020.
- 45. 9 December 2020 planned road side child restraint and seatbelt checks with NZ Police and Plunket.

#### Strategy & Regulation

- 46. Staff continue to undertake significant work in relation to the Te Ahu a Turanga Project. This has included site walk overs as part of the site specific environmental management plan preparations. During November 2020 staff will also be attending a compliance workshop with the Alliance Team to discuss Council's monitoring programme.
- 47. Staff met with counterparts from PNCC on 9 October 2020 to discuss implementation of the National Policy Statement for Urban Development.
- 48. Staff have continued to work with the meat industry representatives in relation to the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater. To this end we are currently preparing for our first round of 'consenting' workshops associated with Intensive Winter Grazing on 3 December.

#### Horowhenua

#### Natural Resources & Partnerships

49. Staff attended a wānanga at Kohuturoa Marae on 4 October 2020 for the weed harvesting project.

#### River Management

- 50. Demolition of Whirokino Trestle Bridge ongoing.
- 51. 12 November 2020 Foxton East Scheme Liaison Group briefing on the Foxton flood mitigation project.
- 52. 12 November 2020 meeting with Whirokino ratepayers regarding the Foxton flood mitigation project.

#### Regional Services & Information

53. 28 October 2020 – road side child restraint and seatbelt checks with NZ Police and Plunket.

#### Rangitīkei

#### Natural Resources & Partnerships

54. Staff attended a Ngā Puna Rau o Rangitīkei Governance Group meeting at Horizons on 2 October 2020.



#### River Management

55. 17 and 19 November 2020 – ratepayer meetings to provide an overview of the management strategy development and shovel ready project.

#### Regional Services & Information

- 56. 2 November 2020 Know the Code refresher course for senior drivers in Taihape.
- 57. 14 November 2020 Child car seat checking clinic at early childhood centre in Marton.

#### Strategy & Regulation

58. Staff attended a hui with Ngāti Hinemanu me Ngāti Paki on 3 November 2020, discussing our relationship agreement and cultural monitoring.

#### Region-wide

#### Strategy & Regulation

- 59. Plan Change 2 hearings were held in Palmerston North over the two weeks 12-23 October 2020.
- 60. Staff have attended various farmer, industry, and sector meetings associated with the Government's freshwater regulations, including Federated Farmer meetings at Rongotea and Marton on 13 October 2020, and a Freshwater Farm Plan working group virtual meeting on 16 October 2020, and discussions with Dairy NZ and Beef & Lamb on 28 October 2020.
- 61. On 4 November 2020, Horizons hosted a meeting of policy staff from Lower North Island regional councils (Hawke's Bay, Taranaki, Greater Wellington), focused on implementation of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020.
- 62. A hui of iwi from across the region was hosted by Ngāti Apa at Marton on 12-13 November 2020.
- 63. Iwi policy staff met virtually with counterparts from other regions on 16 November 2020.

#### CORPORATE & GOVERNANCE UPDATE

- 64. Strategy & Policy Committee meeting held 13 October 2020.
- 65. Councillors' LTP Workshop held 13 October 2020.
- 66. Councillors' only PX session on the CE's Performance Review held 13 October 2020.
- 67. Passenger Transport Committee meeting held 20 October 2020.
- 68. Councillors' LTP Workshop held 21 October 2020.
- 69. Councillors' Workshop of Te Arakura Road held 21 October 2020.
- 70. Councillors' only session held 21 October 2020.
- 71. Zone 3 meeting held 29 and 30 October 2020.
- 72. Strategy & Policy Committee meeting held 10 November 2020.
- 73. Extraordinary Council meeting held 10 November 2020.
- 74. Councillors' LTP Workshop held 10 November 2020.
- 75. Environment Committee meeting held 11 November 2020.
- 76. Council meeting held 24 November 2020.
- 77. Audit, Risk & Investment Committee meeting (4 month report) held 24 November 2020.
- 78. Councillors' LTP Workshop held 25 November 2020.
- 79. Councillors' PX Workshop on Plan Change 2 Update held 25 November 2020.
- 80. Councillor Only Session held 25 November 2020.
- 81. Regional Sector meeting held 27 November 2020.
- 82. Te Ahu a Turanga Site Visit held 27 November 2020.

#### Number of FTEs

83. The total number of FTEs is: 274.



#### **COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE**

- 84. 4 October 2020 close of Climate Change in Our Region community engagement campaign.
- 85. 7 October 2020 Regional Early Childhood Education Wānanga hui hosted by Horizons' Environmental Educator.
- 86. 9 October 2020 Feilding Rural Day.
- 87. 14-15 October 2020 Regional Coordinators' Enviroschools' hui, Wellington.
- 88. 20-21 October 2020 National Group Public Information hui hosted by the National Emergency Management Agency, Wellington.
- 89. 21 October 2020 Enviroschools' hui for Manawatū and Rangitīkei primary schools, Mt Lees Reserve.
- 90. 6 November 2020 Regional Communications Special Interest Group hui, chaired by Horizons' communications manager via Zoom.
- 91. 9 November 2020 Manawatū-Whanganui and Taranaki Civil Defence and Emergency Management Public Information Management and Media Forum, hosted by Horizons in Whanganui.

#### UPCOMING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

#### Natural Resources & Partnerships

- 92. The next Manawatū River Leaders' Accord meeting will be held in Foxton on 2 December 2020.
- 93. The next Te Āpiti Manawatū Gorge Governance Group meeting will be held on 10 December 2020 at Horizons.

#### River Management

94. The next Manawatū River Users' Advisory Group meeting will be held on 1 December 2020 at Horizons.

#### Regional Services & Information

- 95. A Regional GIS Forum was held at The Chalet in Palmerston North on 13 November 2020.
- 96. Consultation on the draft Regional Land Transport Plan is due to commence in February 2021.

#### **GENERAL**

#### Natural Resources & Partnerships

- 97. Staff attended a Resource Managers' Group meeting in Wellington on 1 October 2020.
- 98. Staff attended meetings of Te Pou Kāhui Tangata Central North Island Alliance on 14 and 15 October 2020.



#### Regional Services & Information

- 99. Manager Emergency Management presented to Police National Command Team forum, Police College Porirua on 13 October 2020.
- 100. Regional Advisory Group workshops and Regional Transport Committee workshops in late November 2020 and early December 2020 associated with key steps in development of the Regional Land Transport Plan.
- 101. Accessing Central New Zealand governance group meeting held on 3 November 2020.
- 102. Staff attended two Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency meetings: a national stakeholder meeting held on 16 October 2020, and the annual regional partnership meeting on 19 October 2020.
- 103. Staff attended a site visit of Te Ahu a Turanga on 27 November 2020.



Report No.	20-183		
Information Only - No Decision Required			

#### SAFETY AND WELLBEING REPORT AS AT 27 NOVEMBER 2020

#### 1. PURPOSE

1.1. The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a summary of safety and wellbeing related activities and performance for the financial year to date.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-183 and Annex.

#### 3. FINANCIAL IMPACT

3.1. There is no direct financial impact.

#### 4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

4.1. This is a public item and therefore Council may deem this sufficient to inform the public.

#### 5. SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS RISK IMPACT

5.1. There is no significant business risk associated with this item.

#### 6. SAFETY AND WELLBEING REPORT

6.1. The Safety and Wellbeing Report for the financial year up to 27 November 2020 is attached at Annex A.

#### 7. SIGNIFICANCE

7.1. This is not a significant decision according to the Council's Policy on Significance and Engagement.

Evan Lloyd Craig Grant

SENIOR HEALTH & SAFETY ADVISOR GROUP MANAGER CORPORATE & GOVERNANCE

#### **ANNEXES**

A Safety and Wellbeing Report to 27 November 2020



### Safety and Wellbeing Report to 27 November 2020

#### 1. Critical Risk Update

#### Pandemic — COVID-19

Three key messages remain for COVID-19. Stay at home if you are sick, use the NZ COVID tracer app, and wear a face covering on all public transport (encouraged in our region but mandatory in Auckland).

Horizons participated in MidCentral DHBs COVID-19 community testing programme with a clinic at Regional House Palmerston North on 23 November. Twenty-two staff volunteered to be tested. No follow-up action was initiated by the DHB so we can safely assume all tests were negative.

#### Use of quad bikes, LUVs and motorcycles

In May 2017 WorkSafe NZ published a policy clarification that allowed a passenger to be carried on single seat quad bikes in some circumstances. Horizons carried out a trial in the summer of 2019-20 and a report was presented to Exec on 23 November 2020. The recommendation that the carriage of a passenger be permitted when there is no reasonable alternative was accepted. It's still the exception rather than the rule and a risk assessment is to be completed on each occasion. Hazard Management Plan 19 will be amended in due course.

#### 4WD vehicles—Off road use

4WD refresher training has been completed with 82 staff undergoing training in the last couple of years. Full NZQA training continues for new staff and refresher training will take place as required. The 5-year refresher period currently in place will be reviewed in 2021.

#### 2. Wellbeing Update

Reimagine Wellbeing Together. 21-27 September marked Mental Health Awareness Week. Horizons used the daily themes and messages to raise awareness of this important issue. A wellbeing survey was conducted with a very high 74% participation rate. Results are currently being analysed in detail by the People & Capability Team, Safety & Wellbeing Committee and Exec with a number of initiatives likely to be rolled out next year including training for managers and coordinators.

Speak up, Stand together, Stop Bullying. Horizons used Pink Shirt Day on 16 October 2020 to promote awareness of our Harassment, Bullying and Discrimination Policy.

Three skin cancer screening clinics were conducted by Skin Medic Ltd at Regional House Whanganui and Regional House Palmerston North in October and November with 38 staff participating. Skin Medic heavily discount their fee for on-site clinics with the cost born fully by the individual staff member. The clinics kick off an internal sun safety campaign.

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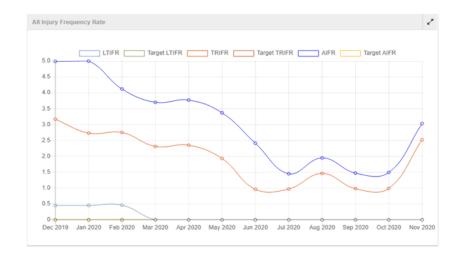
#### 3. Notifiable Events in the 2020/21 FY

Notifiable Injuries / Illnesses	Nil
Notifiable Incidents	Nil

#### 4. Training Completed in the 2020/21 FY

Course Name	No. of Employees
4WD Safety	29
Comprehensive First Aid	51
Electrofishing Machine Operation and Safety	10
Forklift Operator	2
GROWSAFE Basic	1
GROWSAFE Standard	4
Helicopter Underwater Escape Training	7
Quad Bike Safety	2
Norkplace River Safety	11

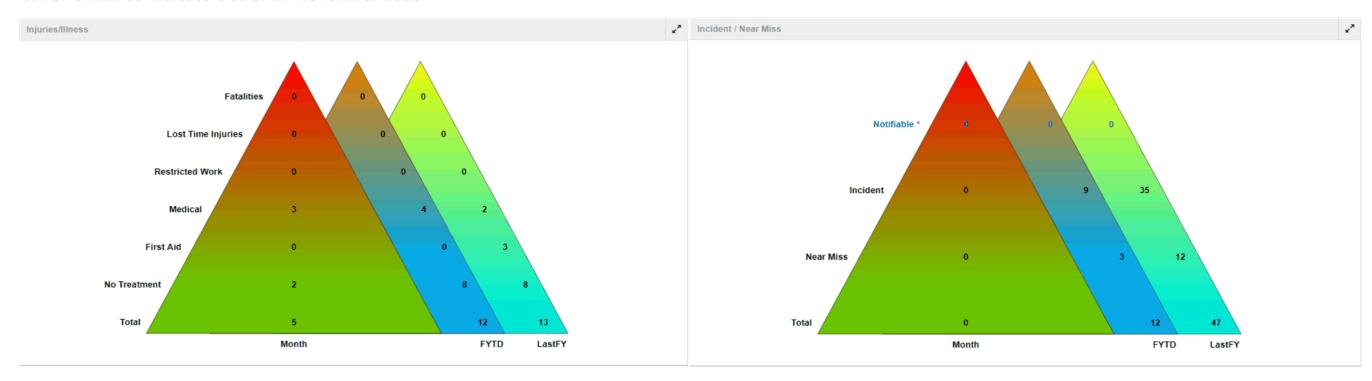
#### 5. Trend



LTIFR—Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate
TRIFR—Total Recordable Injury Frequency Rate
AIFR—All Injury Frequency Rate



#### 6. Performance Indicators as of 27 November 2020



#### 7. Performance Indicators—Comparison

FY	<b>LTIFR</b> Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (Rate of LTI occurrence)	ALTR Average Lost Time Rate (Measure of severity)	TRIFR  Total Recordable Injury Freq Rate (Rate of injury occurrence less first aid only injuries)	TRIFR Business Leaders' Health & Safe- ty Forum Benchmarking Report
2020/21	0.00	0.00	4.58 ♠	
2019/20	0.00	0.00	0.96	2.68 (2019)
2018/19	1.76	31.50	4.83	1.84 (2018)
2017/18	2.2	21.00	5.28	1.57 (2017)
2016/17	1.10	4.00	4.77	1.65 (2016)
2015/16	0.95	17.33	4.13	2.27 (2015)
2014/15	1.22	32.00	6.39	1.97 (2014)
2013/14	0.56	6.00	3.36	
2012/13	1.39	4.20	3.61	2.30
2011/12	0.56	24.00	3.66	3.35

<u>Legend</u>

LTIFR ALTR TRIFR Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate Average Lost Time Rate Total Injury Frequency Rate



Report No.	20-185	
Information Only - No Decision Required		

# COUNCILLORS' WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE - 18 NOVEMBER TO 8 DECEMBER 2020

#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. This item is to note the Councillors' Workshop Attendance from 18 November to 8 December 2020.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-185 and Annex.

#### 3. SIGNIFICANCE

3.1. This is not a significant decision according to the Council's Policy on Significance and Engagement.

#### **Craig Grant**

#### **GROUP MANAGER CORPORATE & GOVERNANCE**

#### **ANNEXES**

A Councillors' Workshop Attendance



#### **HORIZONS REGIONAL COUNCIL**

#### **COUNCILLORS' WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE**

(for the period)

#### 18 November to 8 December 2020

Date / Time	Details	Councillor Attendance
9.30am 25 November	- LTP Workshop	Present: Cr AL Benbow (via Zoom) Cr EM Clarke Cr DB Cotton (via Zoom) Cr SD Ferguson Cr EB Gordon Cr FJT Gordon Cr RJ Keedwell Cr WM Kirton Cr JM Naylor Cr NJ Patrick (via Zoom) Cr WK Te Awe Awe Cr GJ Turkington
Afternoon 8 December		Present: Cr AL Benbow Cr EM Clarke Cr DB Cotton Cr SD Ferguson Cr EB Gordon Cr FJT Gordon Cr WM Kirton Cr JM Naylor Cr NJ Patrick Cr WK Te Awe Awe Cr GJ Turkington Apology: Cr RJ Keedwell



Report No.	20-186	
Information Only - No Decision Required		

#### AFFIXING OF THE COMMON SEAL

#### 1. PURPOSE

1.1. This paper reports on documents to which Horizons Regional Council's Common Seal has been affixed.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Council:

a. **acknowledges** the affixing of the Common Seal to the below mentioned documents.

#### 3. FINANCIAL IMPACT

3.1. There is no additional financial impact.

#### 4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

4.1. The community is able to see this information either in the agenda or on the Council's website.

#### 5. COMMENT

- 5.1. The Common Seal has been affixed to the following documents:
  - a. Under Chief Executive's Delegated Authority:
    - Resource Conservation Agreements between New Zealand Carbon Forest Solutions Ltd and MWRC – Te Rimu Station
      - o Te Rimu Station (WFP534)
      - Makahiwi Land Co (WFP 738)
    - Warrant Card Enforcement Officer
      - o Azlan Abidin
    - Warrant Cards Enforcement Officer
      - Georgia Baker (replacement card)
  - b. Under Urgency:

Nil

c. To be Approved:

Nil



#### 6. SIGNIFICANCE

6.1. This is not a significant decision according to the Council's Policy on Significance and Engagement.

# Craig Grant GROUP MANAGER CORPORATE & GOVERNANCE

#### **ANNEXES**

There are no attachments to this report.



Report of the fourth meeting of the eleventh triennium of the Audit, Risk and Investment Committee held at 11.25am on Tuesday 24 November 2020, in the Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

**PRESENT** Crs EM Clarke (Chair), AL Benbow (via audio visual link), RJ Keedwell,

SD Ferguson, JM Naylor, NJ Patrick (via audio visual link), and

GJ Turkington.

IN ATTENDANCE Councillors Cotton, F Gordon, Kirton, Te Awe Awe

> Chief Executive Mr MJ McCartnev Committee Secretary Mrs JA Kennedy

At various times during the meeting: **ALSO PRESENT** 

> Mr C Grant (Group Manager Corporate and Governance), Mr G Shirley (Group Manager Regional Services & Information), Dr J Roygard (Group Manager Natural Resources & Partnerships), Dr N Peet (Group Manager Strategy & Regulation), Mr R Strong (Group Manager River Management), Mr A Smith (Chief Financial Officer), Ms N Anderson and Ms C Holdsworth (Management Accountants), Mr K Russell (Operations Manager), Mr D Neal (Business Services Manager), Mr J Bell (Manager Investigations & Design), Mrs M Smith (Communications Advisor), Mr M Wilson, Ms D Macdonald, and Mr S Ketley (Aon Representatives), and a

member of the press.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **APOLOGIES**

An apology was noted from Cr EB Gordon.

#### **PUBLIC FORUMS / DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS**

There were no requests for public speaking rights.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

There were no supplementary items to be considered.

#### **MEMBERS' CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

ARI 20-10 Moved Ferguson/Naylor

That the Committee:

confirms the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Investment Committee meeting held on 22 September 2020 as a correct record, and notes that the recommendations were adopted by the Council on 24 November 2020.

**CARRIED** 



#### FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE FOUR MONTHS ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2020

Report No 20-164

Mr Smith (Chief Financial Officer) informed Members of the financial performance for the past four months to 31 October 2020 against the Council's Annual Plan budget. He also summarised the year to date figures and the spend to date for each part of the business with a CAPEX budget.

#### ARI 20-11 Moved

#### Keedwell/Ferguson

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-164.

#### **CARRIED**

#### AGRICHEMICAL NO SPRAY REGISTER RISK MANAGEMENT

Report No 20-165

Mr Strong (Group Manager River Management) outlined an issue with the way in which drain 'no-spray' requests were managed and the steps staff were taking to manage the risk. Following discussion of the systems / processes relating to drain spraying and ways to manage no-spray requests, a new recommendation b. was proposed.

#### ARI 20-12

#### Moved

#### Keedwell/Naylor

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No 20-165;
- b. requests an update on implementation, including auditing, be brought to the April 2021 Catchment Operations Committee meeting.

#### **CARRIED**

#### RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY, SHOVEL READY PROJECT DELIVERY

Report No 20-166

Mr Strong (Group Manager River Management) introduced the item which outlined a risk management strategy that specifically addressed shovel ready project delivery. In response to Members' questions about the summary of different risks presented at Annex A, Mr Strong noted that staff were developing a dashboard format to ensure future robust reporting on shovel ready project delivery.

#### ARI 20-13

#### Moved

#### Keedwell/Naylor

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-166 and Annex.

#### **CARRIED**



#### **INSURANCE STRATEGY**

Report No 20-167

Mr Grant (Group Manager Corporate & Governance) introduced Aon insurance brokers; Mr M Wilson, Ms D Macdonald, and Mr S Ketley who spoke to a presentation covering a detailed market summary and strategy for Members' consideration which would help inform governance and also shape thinking for future decision-making.

#### ARI 20-14 Moved

#### Keedwell/Turkington

That the Committee recommends that Council:

receives the information contained in Report No. 20-167 and Annex.

#### **CARRIED**

#### PROCEDURAL MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

#### ARI 20-15 Moved

#### Clarke/Keedwell

THAT the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting. The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason 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 follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 and section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

#### **CARRIED**

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason for passing this resolution	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
PX1	Confirmation of Public Excluded Meeting held on 22 September 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
PX2	Risk Register Update	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.  The report refers to areas of risk which may be of a commercially sensitive nature.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

#### PX3

Council / Committee to consider whether any item in the Public Excluded minutes can be moved into the public domain and define the extent of the release



The meeting adjourned to the Public Excluded pa 2.30pm.	ort of the meeting at 2.21pm and resumed at
The meeting closed at 2.31pm.	
Confirmed	
CHIEF EXECUTIVE	CHAIR



Report of the fifth meeting of the eleventh triennium of the Regional Transport Committee held at 10.30am on Tuesday 1 December 2020, in the Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

PRESENT Crs RJ Keedwell (Chair), SD Ferguson, Mayor B Wanden

(Horowhenua District Council), Ms E Speight (New Zealand Transport Agency), Mayor G Smith (Palmerston North City Council) (from 10.40am), Deputy Mayor N Belsham (Rangitikei District Council), Mayor D Cameron (Ruapehu District Council), Mayor T Collis (Tararua District Council), Cr A Taylor (Whanganui District Council), Mr E Christiansen (Road Users) (via audio visual link), Inspector D White (New Zealand Police), Mr S Walker (Road Transport Association), Mr L Hammond (KiwiRail) (via audio visual link), Dr S Lampkin (Active

Transport/Public Transport).

IN ATTENDANCE Group Manager Regional Mr G Shirley

Services and Information

Manager Transport Services Ms R Hewitt
Committee Secretary Mrs KA Tongs

**ALSO PRESENT** At various times during the meeting:

Ms L Shirley (Senior Transport Planner), Ms D Webster & Ms T Nyman (Road Safety Coordinators), Ms C Morrison (Media & Communications Manager), Mr A Gurney (New Zealand Police), Mr H Featonby (Tararua District Council) (via audio visual link), various territorial authority roading / asset managers, and a member of the

Press.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and mentioned Deputy Mayor Belsham (Rangitikei District Council), and Cr Taylor (Whanganui District Council) were standing in for their respective Mayors.

#### **APOLOGIES**

RT 20-29 Moved Ferguson/Wanden

That an apology be received from Mayor Worboys, and Mayor Smith for lateness.

**CARRIED** 

#### **PUBLIC FORUMS / DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS**

There were no requests for public speaking rights.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS**

There were no supplementary items to be considered.

#### **MEMBERS' CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.



#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### RT 20-30 Moved

#### Collis/Ferguson

That the Committee:

**confirms** the minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 1 September 2020 as a correct record, and notes that the recommendations were adopted by the Council on 22 September 2020.

**CARRIED** 

#### REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PLAN, 2021 DEVELOPMENT: UPDATE

Report No 20-171

Ms Shirley (Senior Transport Planner) introduced the item which provided members with an update on the progress of development of the Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 (RLTP) and advised of key steps in the process moving forward. Ms Shirley highlighted a change to the consultation period for the RLTP mentioned in the report; which would now be from 9 February 2021 - 17 March 2021. The section numbers mentioned in the recommendation were amended to align with the report.

#### RT 20-31 Moved

#### Ferguson/Collis

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-171.
- acknowledges and supports the agreement reached regarding the process for prioritising significant activities (section 10);
- c. acknowledges and supports the agreement reached regarding inclusion of headline targets in the Regional Land Transport Plan (section 11);
- d. notes the proposed consultation dates as amended to 9 February-17 March 2021 at the meeting, and hearing dates (section 12);
- e. notes the proposed consultation plan (section 12);
- f. notes the updated timeline provided in (section 13).

#### **CARRIED**

Mayor Smith joined the meeting at 10.40am.

#### **ROAD SAFETY UPDATE**

Report No 20-172

Ms Hewitt (Manager Transport Services) provided an update on road safety trends in the region and advised members of road safety education activities undertaken by Horizons Road Safety Coordinators.

#### RT 20-32 Moved

#### Belsham/Speight

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-172.

#### **CARRIED**



#### APPROVED ORGANISATION QUARTERLY UPDATE

Report No 20-173

This report updated Members on significant regional roading, public transport, road safety and planning activities within the Horizons region. Mayors and representatives of the local authorities in the region introduced their reports, highlighted activities of note and responded to questions of clarification.

RT 20-33 Moved Cameron/Collis

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-173 and Annex.

**CARRIED** 

#### Resignation - Inspector David White

Inspector David White announced his resignation from the Regional Transport Committee and introduced the new representative from New Zealand Police, Ashley Gurney. Chair Rachel Keedwell and Mr Shirley (Group Manager Regional Services and Information) thanked Inspector White for his time and input as an Advisory Member on the Committee.

#### **GENERAL UPDATE - KEY POLICY DOCUMENTS AND SUBMISSIONS**

Report No 20-174

Ms Hewitt (Manager Transport Services) introduced this report which provided members with updates on various documents and consultation items released by Central Government and Agencies. On discussing the Arataki Version 2 document discussion was had regarding the health implications of dust on our roads. Mayor Smith challenged the dated information in the document.

RT 20-34 Moved Collis/Ferguson

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-174 and Annexes.

Against: Mayor Smith

**CARRIED** 

#### WAKA KOTAHI NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Report No 20-175

Ms Speight (New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA)) spoke to a powerpoint presentation which provided Members with an update on the Waka Kotahi NZTA's regional and national activities and introduced the first version of the Regional Road Safety Dashboard which summarised information and data regarding the annual road deaths in the region.

RT 20-35 Moved Ferguson/Keedwell

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the update from the Director Regional Relationships (Lower North Island), Waka Kotahi, NZ Transport Agency and Annex.

**CARRIED** 

#### Regional Council 16 December 2020



The meeting closed at 11.36am.		
Confirmed		
MANAGER TRANSPORT SERVICES	CHAIR	



Report of a meeting of the Manawatu River Users' Advisory Group held at Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North, at 7.00pm on Tuesday 1 December 2020.

PRESENT Crs FJT Gordon (Chair), SD Ferguson (via audio visual link),

Mr B Culley (River Warden), Mr I Taylor (Manawatu Freshwater Anglers Club/Honorary Enforcement Officer), Mr B Sprozen (Manawatu Power Boat Club), Mr B Cottrill (Manawatu Marine Boating Club), Mr R Anderson (Jet Boating New Zealand), Mr K Lane (Manawatu Estuary Trust), and Mr C Thomas (Area Engineer

Central).

**IN ATTENDANCE** Manager Emergency Management

Engineering Officer Central Committee Secretary

Mr I Lowe Ms J Buchanan Mrs JA Kennedy

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **APOLOGIES**

#### Moved F Gordon / Anderson

That the Manawatu River Users' Advisory Group receives an apology from Mr D Scott (Manawatu Freshwater Anglers Club).

**CARRIED** 

#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### Moved Anderson / F Gordon

That the Committee:

**confirms** the minutes of the Manawatu River Users' Advisory Group meeting held on 3 December 2019 as a correct record, and notes that the recommendations were adopted by the Council on 17 December 2019.

**CARRIED** 

#### HARBOURMASTER'S REPORT

Report No 20-169

Mr Lowe (Manager Emergency Management) took Members through the report which provided an update on matters relating to navigation and safety on the Manawatū River and its tributaries. He summarised the river event activities, highlighted Horizons Regional Council's participation in the Maritime NZ led 'No Excuses' campaign as part of the Safer Boating forum, commented on the 5 knot speed restriction at Foxton Beach, and noted that the process to review the navigation safety bylaw had been delayed due to the Covid-19 response.

Mr Anderson (Jet Boating New Zealand) summarised his report and commented on the various activities undertaken by the Central Districts Jet Boating club, including upcoming anniversary celebrations.



#### Moved

#### F Gordon / Sprozen

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-169.

#### **CARRIED**

#### LOWER MANAWATU SCHEME (LMS) - RIVER MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Report No 20-170

Ms Buchanan (Engineering Officer Central) updated Members of the Lower Manawatu Scheme management issues that may have some impact on the recreational use of the river over the period December 2020 to June 2021. She highlighted the work associated with the removal of railway irons from the river, explained why gravel activities in the Manawatū River had ceased, and commented on the continued work to monitor and repair damage to assets caused by 4WD users.

Ms Buchanan commented on the Alligator Weed incursion in the Mangaone Stream and explained how it was spread, what it looked like, and the methods used by Horizons to control it.

#### Moved

#### Anderson / Lane

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-170.

#### **CARRIED**

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Following an invitation from the Chair, Members provided their views around what they considered to be the key benefits of the advisory group meeting, and provided areas of interest they would like to see covered in future meetings.

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Confirmed	
MANAGER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	CHAIR



#### **Public Excluded Section**

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the Council meeting as the general subject matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason 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 follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered		Reason for passing this resolution	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
PX1	Confirmation of Public Excluded Meeting held on 24 November 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
PX2	Report of Audit, Risk & Investment Committee Meeting - Receive and Adopt Resolutions and Recommendations – 24 November 2020	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.
PX3	Reid Line Floodway Property Purchase	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.  The item contains commercially sensitive information related to a proposed property purchase.	s48(1)(a)  The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

#### PX4

Council / Committee to consider whether any item in the Public Excluded minutes can be moved into the public domain and define the extent of the release

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