

Minutes of the ninth meeting of the eleventh triennium of Horizons Regional Council (Live Streamed) held at 10.00am on Tuesday 25 August 2020, in the Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

PRESENT Crs RJ Keedwell (Chair), AL Benbow, 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 JA Kennedy

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), Ms C Morrison (Media & Communications Manager), Mr A Smith (Chief Financial Officer), Mr S Mancer (Management Accountant–via audio visual link), Mr T Bowen (Principal Advisor Strategy & Policy), Dr A Lennard (Environmental Data Analyst), Mr K Russell (Operations Manager River Management), Mr E Lloyd (Senior Health & Safety Advisor), a member of the public, 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 – 23 JUNE 2020

20-117 *Moved* *Clarke/Turkington*

That the minutes of the Regional Council meeting held on 23 June 2020 as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 21 JULY 2020

20-118 **Moved** **Turkington/Naylor**

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Regional Council meeting held on 21 July 2020 as circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.

CARRIED

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

The Chief Executive summarised his report and referred Members to the information that could be found in the attachments.

20-119 **Moved** **Keedwell/Naylor**

That the Chief Executive's report be received.

CARRIED

CLIMATE CHANGE: PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A JOINT COMMITTEE

Report No 20-103

Mr Bowen (Principal Advisory, Strategy & Policy) spoke to the report which recommended the appointment of a joint committee to oversee action on climate change across the Region's local authorities. Dr Peet (Group Manager Strategy & Regulation) introduced a new recommendation to provide for iwi/māori participation on the Committee.

20-120 **Moved** **Te Awe Awe/Ferguson**

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-103 and Annex;*
- b. appoints a joint Climate Action Committee as described in the attached Agreement and Terms of Reference;*
- c. recommends to Regional Chiefs (regional mayors and chair) that the Agreement and Terms of Reference for the joint Climate Action Committee are amended to provide for iwi/māori participation on the Committee.*

CARRIED

CLIMATE CHANGE: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Report No 20-104

Ms Morrison (Media & Communications Manager) outlined the community engagement planned over the coming months to support Horizons' climate change work programme. Dr Lennard (Environmental Data Analyst) took Members through a draft view of the proposed climate change website and the active engagement tools which would be available to the public.

20-121 **Moved** **F Gordon/Ferguson**

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-104.*

CARRIED

IWI MATTERS UPDATE*Report No 20-105*

Dr Peet (Group Manager Strategy & Regulation) provided an update on progress with iwi and hapū matters in the region, including Treaty settlements. He referred Members to the two proposed appointments outlined in recommendations d. and e.

20-122 Moved B Gordon/Clarke

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-105 and Annex.*
- b. agrees to the inclusion within the Ngāti Maniapoto Deed of Settlement, of the requirement for the Maniapoto post settlement governance entity and Horizons to work together to develop a relationship agreement;*
- c. notes that the drafting of a relationship agreement with Te Korowai o Wainuiārua will be completed, but is not included within their Deed of Settlement;*
- d. appoints Mr Ross Brannigan to represent Horizons on the Surface Water Activities Collaborative Group; and*
- e. notes the appointment of Mr Chris Kumeroa to the Coordinating Executive Group.*

CARRIED

SHOVEL READY FLOOD PROTECTION PROJECTS*Report No 20-106*

This item requested Council approval of the ‘shovel ready’ flood protection projects (excluding Kumeroa Quarry) recently confirmed by central government for funding. It also requested approval to commit the balance of the funding required for the projects to proceed. Mr Strong (Group Manager River Management) outlined the nature of the projects and associated requirements, and highlighted the local share component Council needed to commit to access the funding on offer from central government.

20-123 Moved Cotton/Benbow

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-106;*
- b. notes the additional funding assistance provided for the Foxton Flood Mitigation project;*
- c. endorses the high level concept as it relates to the Rangitikei River Enhancement shovel ready project and approves an additional loan against the Rangitikei Scheme of \$1.3M to meet the local share requirement;*
- d. endorses the high level concept as it relates to the Lower Manawatu Flood Protection Resilience shovel ready project and approves an additional loan against the Lower Manawatu Scheme of \$3.75M to meet the local share requirement;*
- e. endorses the Palmerston North Flood Protection shovel ready project and approves an additional loan of \$1.75M to meet the local share requirement;*

- f. delegates authorisation to the Chief Executive to enter into funding agreements with Crown Infrastructure Partners, the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment or whichever government department or crown entity is the vehicle for providing central government funding.

CARRIED

SAFETY AND WELLBEING REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

Report No 20-107

Mr Lloyd (Senior Health & Safety Advisor) provided Council with a summary of safety and wellbeing related activities and performance for the financial year up to 30 June 2020.

20-124 Moved Clarke/Turkington

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-107 and Annex.

CARRIED

COUNCILLORS' WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE - 10 JUNE TO 18 AUGUST 2020

Report No 20-108

This item noted the Councillors' Workshop Attendance from 10 June to 18 August 2020.

20-125 Moved Naylor/Patrick

It is recommended that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-108 and Annex.

CARRIED

AFFIXING OF THE COMMON SEAL

Report No 20-109

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

20-126 Moved Naylor/Patrick

That the Council:

- a. acknowledges the affixing of the Common Seal to the below mentioned documents.
- *Warrant Cards*
 - Biosecurity Act*
 - *Craig Davey – replacement*
 - *Dave Alker – replacement*
 - *Robert Bashford – replacement*
 - *Malinda Matthewson – replacement*
 - *Jack Keast – replacement*
 - *Robbie Sicely – replacement*
 - *Kelsi Hoggard - new*
 - *Daniel Hurley – replacement*

- Grant Ferguson – replacement
- Adrian Bowles – replacement
- Colin Jeffery – replacement
- Ray Palmer - replacement
- Tony Dixon – replacement
- Bevan Holm – new
- Grant Lusic – replacement
- Ron Maki – replacement
- Jim Keeley – replacement
- Henri Nieuwenhuis – replacement
- Phil O’Leary – replacement
- Corey Mosen – new
- Paul Bowers – replacement
- Kane Harrison – replacement
- Jack Murrell – replacement
- Rod Smillie – replacement
- Eric Dodd – replacement
- Alan Cowley – replacement
- Ray Wilman - replacement

CARRIED

RECEIPT AND ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

REPORT OF STRATEGY & POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 11 AUGUST 2020

20-127

Moved

Turkington/Naylor

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Strategy & Policy Committee meeting held on 11 August 2020.

CARRIED

REPORT OF ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING - RECEIVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - 12 AUGUST 2020

20-128

Moved

Ferguson/Clarke

That the Council receives and adopts the resolutions and recommendations of the Environment Committee meeting held on 12 August 2020

CARRIED

PROCEDURAL MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

20-129

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

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 23 June 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 Meeting held on 21 July 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 Kumeroa Quarry Shovel Ready Project	s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. s7(2)(i) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). To protect the privacy and current arrangements Horizons has with the landowner but also to give Councillors the freedom to discuss what public/ private partnership model would work best (should Council be of a mind to proceed with the	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.

	project). It also contains some fairly frank views around the current commercial landscape as it applies to aggregate production.	
PX4 Reid Line Floodway Property Purchase	<p>s7(2)(h) - the withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.</p> <p>The item contains commercially sensitive information related to the proposed purchase of a property.</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>PX5 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</p>		

The meeting adjourned to the Public Excluded part of the meeting at 11.49am and resumed at 2.08pm.

The meeting closed at 2.09pm.

Confirmed

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

CHAIR