

Minutes of the ninth meeting of the eleventh triennium of the Strategy and Policy Committee (Live Streamed) held at 10.00am on Tuesday 8 December 2020, in the Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

**PRESENT** Crs JM Naylor (Acting Chair), AL Benbow, EM Clarke, DB Cotton, SD Ferguson, EB Gordon, FJT Gordon, WM Kirton, NJ Patrick, WK Te Awe Awe (from 10.30am), 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), Ms A Matthews (Manager, Science & Innovation), Mr T Bowen (Principal Advisor), Mr N Portegys (Policy Analyst), Mr M Mitchell (Environmental Scientist Water Quality), Mr F Campbell (Policy Assistant), and Ms C Morrison (Media & Communications Manager).

The Acting Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and said a Karakia.

## **APOLOGIES**

**SP 20-43** *Moved* *Naylor/Ferguson*

*That an apology be received from Chair Rachel Keedwell, and an apology for lateness be received from Cr Te Awe Awe.*

**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

**SP 20-44**                      **Moved**    **Turkington/Benbow**

*That the Committee:*

**confirms** the minutes of the Strategy and Policy Committee meeting held on 10 November 2020 as a correct record, and notes that the recommendations were adopted by the Council on 24 November 2020.

**CARRIED**

## OUR FRESHWATER FUTURE - PROGRESS REPORT

*Report No 20-176*

Ms Matthews (Manager, Science & Innovation), presented this paper to Council which highlighted the progress with the Horizons 'Our Freshwater Future' programme, and the implementation of Government's 'Essential Freshwater' reform package. Ms Matthews discussed the sector-led projects, community consultation timeframes, and the key tasks to be undertaken between now and March 2021.

**SP 20-45**                      **Moved**    **B Gordon/F Gordon**

*That the Committee recommends that Council:*

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-176 and Annex.

**CARRIED**

Cr Te Awe Awe joined the meeting at 10.30am.

## BRIEFINGS TO INCOMING GOVERNMENT MINISTERS

*Report No 20-177*

The Chief Executive presented this report to Council which highlighted the prepared Briefings to Incoming Government Ministers from both the Regional Sector, and the Manawatū-Whanganui Region's Mayors and Chairs.

**SP 20-46**                      **Moved**    **Naylor/F Gordon**

*That the Committee recommends that Council:*

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-177 and Annexes.

**CARRIED**

The meeting closed at 10.41am.

Confirmed

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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CHAIR