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Horowhenua Freshwater Management Unit Water Quality Interventions

Community Stakeholder Group meeting

Tuesday 14th December 2021, Rimu Room, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, Levin (and via Zoom).

NOTES

In Attendance

Community Stakeholder Group members:

Dean Wilson (Co-Chair), Sam Ferguson (Co-Chair), Jay Clarke, Michelle Sands, Adam Duker, Christine Moriarty, Geoff Kane, Charles Rudd, Vivienne Bold, Phil Teal, Mike Campbell, Trevor Hinder.

Support:

Staci Boyte, Logan Brown and Mark Leggett.

1 Welcome

Dean Wilson opened the meeting with a karakia, Dean and Sam welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3 Project introduction

Logan gave a presentation providing context and summary of the project, including progress to date and purpose of the project.

The following discussion and comments were made by the group members;

- Phil requested that draft designs be made available to the group as soon as possible.
- Trevor requested that the wetland experts provide a concentration of nitrogen going into the lake that would be considered acceptable.
- Logan commented outcomes for the lake should be based on the values of the community/stakeholders/owners rather than a decision made by scientists.
- Christine was concerned based on past projects that the community's perspective would not be considered.
- Phil commended the transparency of the project.
- Geoff commented that the lake to lake connections were a key feature of the original Arawhata Wetlands Group.
- Trevor highlighted the importance of transferring information between the Project Team, Governance Group and the CSG. In particular, reasoning behind conclusions reached by the Governance Group.
- The question was raised as to what would be done with the rest of the land that wasn't put into wetland.
- Phil requested additional background to the project and history of the area.

A key point of discussion and agreement from the group was requesting clear aims and outcomes for the project.

4 Group's purpose

This item invited discussion around what the expectations were from the group's members and what its purpose would be.

Jay noted that the group should aim to speak with one voice as much as possible and asked for a set of values for the group to avoid self-interest.

There was general discussion about setting values for the group which will be discussed at the next meeting following the circulation of a draft example of values for the group (action for Staci/Logan).

5 Proposed terms of reference

The group received the draft Terms of Reference and proposed the following amendments/considerations;

- Hōkio Progressive Association to be added to the membership of the group.
- Check over acronyms and make sure they are explained.

The members were otherwise in agreement with the draft Terms of Reference.

6 Meeting schedule

The bimonthly meeting schedule proposed in the Terms of Reference was discussed. It was agreed to that a second meeting would be set for February and reconsidered then.

Action Summary

1	Send out presentation	Logan
2	For the next meeting circulate a draft values for the group based on previous work with the Governance Group.	Staci
3	For the next meeting describe the structure of the Governance Group and Wetland Design Group.	Staci

Appendix 1 - Register of Interests

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Register of Interests

Sam Ferguson		
Organisation/Position	Horizons Regional Council Councillor and project Governance Group	
	member	
Responsibilities	Co-chairperson	
Interests		

Dean Wilson	
Organisation/Position	Lake Horowhenua Trustee and project Governance Group member
Responsibilities	Co-chairperson
Interests	

Jay Clarke	
Organisation/Position	Woodhaven Gardens Ltd
Responsibilities	
Interests	Vegetable growers immediately adjacent and upstream of the wetland.

Michelle Sands	
Organisation/Position	HortNZ
Responsibilities	
Interests	

Adam Duker	
Organisation/Position	Dairy NZ
Responsibilities	
Interests	

Christine Moriarty	
Organisation/Position	HEKA
Responsibilities	
Interests	

Geoff Kane	
Organisation/Position	
Responsibilities	
Interests	

	Charles Rudd
Organisation/Position	
Responsibilities	
Interests	

	Vivienne Bold
Organisation/Position	Hōkio Progressive Association
Responsibilities	
Interests	

Phil Teal	
Organisation/Position	Fish and Game
Responsibilities	
Interests	

Mike Campbell	
Organisation/Position	Federated Farmers
Responsibilities	
Interests	

Trevor Hinder	
Organisation/Position	WEKA
Responsibilities	
Interests	