

JOBS FOR NATURE

Horowhenua Freshwater Management Unit Water Quality Interventions

Governance Group Meeting

Friday 4th August 2023, 3:21 pm, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10 Bath Street, Levin.

MINUTES

In Attendance

Governance Group: Rachel Keedwell (Co-Chair), Sam Ferguson, Dean Wilson, Quentin Parr, Bernie Wanden (left at 1550), Lisa Gooch.

In attendance: Shannon Johnston, Logan Brown.

1 Welcome

Rachel welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Apologies were received from Di Rump, Clinton Hemana (Co-chair), Siobhan Karaitiana, Jonathan Procter, David Allan, Bryan Smith, Aoife Broad, Jon Roygard, and Daniel Haigh.

3 Agenda items

- Renting of Arawhata Rd property;
- RDA letter; and
- Verbal consenting update.

5 Renting of the Arawhata Rd property

Logan provided a brief overview of the proposal:

- The house on Arawhata Rd is currently empty as it is not required as a part of the current lease for the farm;
- The house could be rented out on a fixed term basis to pay for maintenance on the property and to allow the revenue to be invested back into the wetland complex project. A 12 month fixed term rental period shouldn't interfere with the ability to sub-divide the property if the future assessment shows this is possible. This is due to the length of time that a sub-division proposal is likely to take;
- Having people present within the property would provide another level of security for the farm and house.

RESOLVED: The Project Team are to engage a property manager to rent the Arawhata Rd property out for a term of 12 months.

Rachel/Quentin
CARRIED

ACTIONS:

- Project team are to engage a project manager to rent out the Arawhata Rd property.

6 RDA letter

Logan talked to the draft letter that had been circulated for discussion. General discussion included:

- The letter is to ensure that all parties are operating from the same shared understanding of the current arrangement that RDA has with the lessee;
- The arrangement was always a temporary arrangement and wasn't one that was entered into by Horizons. The arrangement with RDA was held with the previous lessee of the land;
- The project needs to ensure that the purpose of the land purchase remains as it started, this is around improvements to water quality for Lake Horowhenua. Any current landuse must not prevent future options for such works to be undertaken in this area;

RESOLVED: The Governance Group agrees to the letter being sent to the RDA, with the letter to be signed off by Rachel on behalf of the Governance Group.

ACTIONS:

- Rachel to sign off the letter to the RDA.

7 Consenting update

A brief verbal update was provided on the wetland design and consenting process.

An updated wetland design has been received and provided at the site visit. The main changes to the design include:

- Additional bunding around the outside of the wetland in particular between Arawhata Road and the wetland complex in Phase One;
- Sediment traps are now proposed on all the inlets from the eastern side of the property;
- Reduction in the area that is to have bioreactors present.

There was discussion around the additional earthworks as a result of the extra bunds, and sediment traps. These will generally result in increased earthwork costs. The project team are awaiting an updated estimated construction cost to bring back to the Governance Group.

Shannon provided a verbal update on the consenting process.

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The project team are to book in additional Governance Group meetings as placeholders in case decisions or updates are required to be made. These can be cancelled if not needed.

ACTIONS:

- Project team are to book in additional Governance Group meetings.

10. Other business

There was no other business.

13. Karakia

Dean closed the meeting at 1600 with a karakia.

Action Summary

1	Organise a property manager to rent out the Arawhata Rd property for a term of 12 months.	Project team
2	Rachel to sign out letter to the RDA.	Rachel
3	Project team are to book in additional Governance Group meetings.	Logan

Appendix 1 - Register of Interests

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Register of Interests

Rachel Keedwell	
Position	Horizons Regional Council Chair
Responsibilities	Co-chairperson and voting member
Interests	NA

Sam Ferguson	
Position	Horizons Regional Council Councillor
Responsibilities	Voting member
Interests	Private home – [REDACTED] s 7(2)(a)

Bernie Wanden	
Position	Horowhenua Mayor
Responsibilities	Voting member
Interests	Fellow Rotarian with Geoff Kane

Aoife Broad	
Position	Ministry for the Environment lead contact
Responsibilities	Non-voting member
Interests	

Di Rump	
Position	Muaūpoko Tribal Authority CE
Responsibilities	Voting member
Interests	NA

Clinton Hemana	
Position	Lake Horowhenua Trust Chair
Responsibilities	Co-chairperson and voting member
Interests	NA

Dean Wilson	
Position	Lake Horowhenua Trustee
Responsibilities	Voting member
Interests	NA

Rārite Mātaki	
Position	Executive Te Runanga o Raukawa
Responsibilities	Voting member
Interests	NA

Bryan Smith	
Position	Ministry for the Environment
Responsibilities	Non-voting member
Interests	NA

Jon Procter	
Position	MTA board member
Responsibilities	Voting member
Interests	

Quentin Parr	
Position	Te Runanga o Raukawa representative
Responsibilities	Voting member
Interests	