
AGENDA ITEM C2

MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Purpose of Report

To seek a Māori Standing Committee external appointment decision from Council.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receives the Māori Standing Committee Appointment Report*
2. *Resolves to make the following external appointment to the Māori Standing Committee: Suzanne Murphy (Kohunui Marae).*

1. Background

Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) provides for local authorities to hold the meetings that are necessary for the good government of the region or district (clause 19); to appoint the committees, subcommittees and other subordinate decision-making bodies that it considers appropriate, including joint committees with other local authorities (clause 30); and to appoint or discharge any member of a committee or subcommittee (clause 31).

Council are being asked to make an appointment to the Māori Standing Committee (MSC).

2. Discussion

2.1 Māori Standing Committee

Schedule 7 cl 31 (3) of the LGA 2002 allows for the appointment of external members to a committee or subcommittee *'a person who is not a member of the local authority or committee if, in the opinion of the local authority, that person has the skills, attributes, or knowledge that will assist the work of the committee or subcommittee.'*

Members are required to advise on tangata whenua and Māori interests in the Council's major areas of activity and therefore recommended membership of the committee should be representatives from the district's marae, iwi and Pae tū Mokai o Tairua. This is in line with the Terms of Reference.

Marae and iwi are asked to nominate their preferred representative/s to Council and Council then considers a report seeking their appointment to the Committee in accordance with the LGA.

On the 22 October 2020, Kohunui Marae advised that Terry Te Maari would be retiring from the Committee and that their preferred representative on the MSC is Suzanne Murphy (see Appendix 1). Mr Te Maari is retiring after nearly eight years of service to South Wairarapa District Council and the Māori community.

3. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Kohunui Marae correspondence

Prepared by: Suzanne Clark Committee Advisor

Reviewed by: Karen Yates, Policy and Governance Manager

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From: [Teresa Aporo](#)
To: [Steph Dorne](#)
Cc: [Terry Te Maari](#); [MSC- Narida Hooper](#); [Karen Yates- Policy and Governance](#)
Subject: Re: Items for MSC meeting Tues 27 Oct
Date: Thursday, 22 October 2020 3:54:50 PM

Kia ora ano Steph,

Suzanne Murphy Kohunui58@gmail.com

This is a formal notification for Suzanne Murphy to step in for Terry TeMaari.
Terry may introduce Suzanne on the 27th October if not I can.

Nga mihi Teresa

From: Teresa Aporo <teresaaporo@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, 22 October 2020 2:00 PM
To: Steph Dorne <steph.dorne@swdc.govt.nz>
Cc: Maori Standing Committee <maoristandingcommittee@swdc.govt.nz>; Tia Tuuta <tiatuuta@gmail.com>; Alex Beijen- His Worship the Mayor <themayor@swdc.govt.nz>; ELT <ELT@swdc.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Items for MSC meeting Tues 27 Oct

Tena koutou katoa,

Terry TeMaari requested at our last Kohunui Trustees hui 17th October that he will be resigning from the MSC and Suzanne Murphy will be attending this hui and replacing his position on the MSC.

As Terry does not reply to the emails I will take the responsibility to forward this email to Suzanne.

Appreciate the effort taken for the Draft of MOU for Rangiura o Wairarapa.

Naku noa na Teresa