

# MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE Minutes from 29 July 2019

Present:	Michael Roera (Chair), Teresa Aporo, Karen Mikaera, Narida Hooper, Amiria Te Whaiti, Terry Te Maari, Nathan Maynard, Wayne Pitau and Cr Pip Maynard.
In Attendance:	Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor) and for part only Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Jennie Mitchell (Group Manager Corporate Support), Russell O'Leary (Group Manager Planning and Regulatory) and Lawrence Stephenson (Assets and Operations Manager).
Conduct of Business:	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Martinborough. The meeting was conducted in public between 6:30pm and 9:11pm.
Also in Attendance:	Te Puritanga Jefferies (Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC)).

# **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

Mr Roera welcomed members to the meeting and opened with a karakia.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2019/24) to receive apologies from Mr Tipoki, Mr Potangaroa, Cr Jephson, and Mayor Napier. (Moved Mikaera/Seconded Te Whaiti) <u>Carried</u>

#### 2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS

Ms Jefferies introduced herself and invited members, their marae, and iwi to provide input into the development of a Māori economic development strategy and development plan. The strategy was an Ara Tahi, the mana whenua forum of GWRC, initiative. Ms Jefferies would be seeking feedback from Māori communities in the Wairarapa and wider Wellington region in order to determine what the opportunities and challenges were for Māori and how initiatives could be supported.

Ms Jefferies undertook to forward the BERL Māori Economy Report to members and to work towards developing engagement opportunities for the Wairarapa.

# 3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

## 4. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Wilson advised that GWRC were seeking ways to access the central governments Provincial Growth Fund and encouraged engagement.

MSC NOTED:

1. Action 28: Liaise with the Wairarapa Economic Develop Strategy leads regarding inclusion of the Māori economy and what actions will be undertaken to develop Maori initiatives; H Wilson

## 5. MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

5.1 Māori Standing Committee Minutes – 17 June 2019

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2019/25) that the minutes of 17 June 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record subject to amendment of the apologies to:

*'MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2019/20*) to receive apologies from Nathan Maynard, Terry Te Maari, Nathan Maynard, Wayne Pitau, Cr Brian Jephson and apologies for leaving early from Mayor Viv Napier and Harry Wilson.

(Moved Roera/Seconded Tipoki) <u>Carried'</u>

(Moved Mikaera/Seconded Aporo)

**Carried** 

# 6. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

6.1 Officers' Report

Mr O'Leary discussed central government intent for changes to the Resource Management Act with members and advised that during the consultation phase Council would have the opportunity to provide feedback via Local Government NZ.

Mr Wilson discussed Papawai Urupa fencing, Papawai land swap status, water supply matters and infill street lighting with members.

Ms Te Whaiti was working with the Wairarapa Library Services Manager regarding Te Reo wording in Carterton and South Wairarapa district libraries and would be speaking at the next Committee meeting on the initiative.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2019/26) to receive the Officers' Report.

(Moved Cr P. Maynard/Seconded Mikaera)

<u>Carried</u>

# 6.2 Action Items Report

Members discussed the action items and updates were made.

The Significant Sites Working Party were compiling site shape files with a GIS overlay for potential inclusion in LIM reports, and in future District Plan planning maps. Mr O'Leary advised that if LIM reports were to be used to share cultural site information, then site information needed to fully available on a district wide basis and a Council decision to include this information could then be sought.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2019/27) to receive the Action Items Report. (Moved Pitau/Seconded Te Maari)

**Carried** 

## 6.3 Management of Māori Standing Committee Budget 2019-20

Ms Mitchell advised that the Committee Annual Plan submission to Council was successful and that the Committee needed to develop criteria to support transparency and decision making. Expenditure decisions needed to be at a formal meeting against a recommendation from a written report from the Chair or member of the Committee. Council officers would provide an income and expenditure report for meetings for budgeting purposes.

Members agreed to discuss the recommendations in a workshop setting for endorsement by a future meeting and requested an update on the Committee's Terms of Reference development.

Nathan Maynard left the meeting at 8:16pm.

Nathan Maynard returned to the meeting at 8:18pm.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2019/28):

1. To receive the Management of Māori Standing Committee Budget 19-20 Report.

(Moved Roera/Seconded Mikaera)

**Carried** 

- Action 29: Request an email update from Amber Craig on progress with the Māori Standing Committee Terms of Reference development; H Wilson
- 3. Action 30: Discuss the recommendations from the 'Management of Māori Standing Committee Budget 2019-20 Report' in the next MSC workshop (agree what portion of the operating budget of \$20k will be used for community grants and agree to a method by which the grants approved for the three marae will be distributed); MSC

#### 6.4 Wellington Water Update

Mr Wilson reported that all existing shareholders of Wellington Water had agreed to altering the shareholder agreement to allow South Wairarapa District Council to becoming a shareholder. Formal resolutions were being progressed through individual councils. A transition plan was in place to allow a changeover on the 1 October 2019. Mana whenua representation was being progressed separately by Kara Dentice (Wellington Water).

# 6.5 Featherston Wastewater to Land

Mr Wilson advised that engagement with the Featherston community on the Featherston Wastewater to Land Project was being undertaken in retrospect and that there was a range of community views being presented. At the end of the engagement, Council will review feedback, look at the advantages and disadvantages of potential solutions, and provide costings for alternative solutions. The intention was for the Māori cultural values assessment to be replaced by a new cultural impact assessment report.

## 6.6 Consent Renewal at Woodside Update

Mr Stephenson tabled and spoke to a report informing members of the changes for the water take permit renewal to the Waiohine water plant as the existing consent expired in December 2019.

Ms Aporo left the meeting at 8:47pm.

Ms Aporo returned to the meeting at 8:48pm.

## 7. MEMBER ITEMS

## 7.1 Significant Sites Working Party

Ms Mikaera tabled minutes from the last Working Party workshop and reported that Christine Barnett and Foss Leach were teaching members how to identify archaeological sites. Known archaeological sites were available in the ArchSite software, and it was the unknown sites that could present a problem. The Working Party were providing significant site material to the Planning department for incorporation into the District Plan in the next review as the Plan did not show most South Wairarapa Māori historical sites. Field trips were being undertaken to support the classroom learning. The Working Party would like Council to pay for pou to be erected at significant sites.

Mr Pitau closed with a karakia.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date