



## Maori Standing Committee

Minutes – 31 July 2017

- Present:** Reuben Tipoki (Chair), Michael Roera, Teresa Aporo, Horipo Rimene, Terry Te Maari, Amiria Te Whaiti, Demetrius Potangaroa and Cr Pip Maynard.
- In Attendance:** Mayor Viv Napier (from 6:35pm), Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary) and for part only Murray Buchanan (Planning and Environment Group Manager), Hans van Kregten (Kaha Consultancy) and Annabel Hobson (Resource Management Officer).
- Conduct of Business:** The above attendees gathered in the South Wairarapa District Council Chambers, 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough. The meeting was conducted in public between 6:30pm and 8:40pm.

### PUBLIC BUSINESS

Mr Tipoki welcomed visitors to the meeting noting that a karakia had been said in a hui prior to the formal meeting.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2017/23) to receive apologies from Johnny Shaw, Cr Paora Ammunson and Paul Crimp.*

*(Moved Te Whaiti/Secoded Roera)*

Carried

#### 2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS

##### 2.1 Peter Fraser

Mr Fraser noted three points about the Water Wairarapa Scheme and cautioned the Committee about the advertised economic benefits:

- The Water Wairarapa Scheme is not economically feasible, project evaluations do not stack up and the message is that farmers cannot afford to buy water at the indicative cost of 26 cents per cubic metre.
- It is now up to Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) to make a decision on the future of the project as for the project to continue into Stage 2 more funding is required.
- There are alternatives to irrigating the proposed 6% of available Wairarapa land; i.e. increasing productivity/altering land use in the 94% of Wairarapa land not within reaches of the Water Wairarapa Scheme.

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### **3. MINUTES FOR RECEIPT AND CONFIRMATION**

#### **3.1 Maori Standing Committee Minutes – 19 June 2017**

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2017/24)* that the minutes of 19 June 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record subject to the correction of the spelling of ‘Kahunguni’ to ‘Kahungunu’ and the recording of Mayor Napier’s apology.

*(Moved Te Whaiti/Seconded Cr Maynard)*

Carried

#### **3.2 Action Items from previous meeting**

Members discussed toilet signage at Lake Ferry, wahi tapu sites, public participation from the Heritage Wairarapa group at the next meeting, amendment to the welcome signage on the Rimutaka Pass, the proposal for a waharoa on the Rimutaka Pass and publicising rahui notices at the next workshop.

#### **3.3 SWDC Minutes from 28 June 2017**

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2017/25)* to receive the Council minutes of the 28 June 2017.

*(Moved Tipoki/Seconded Potangaroa)*

Carried

### **4. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS**

#### **4.1 Update of Council’s Notable Tree Register**

Mr van Kregten and Mr Buchanan discussed Council’s planned review of the South Wairarapa notable trees register within the District Plan with members and provided a handout on the process. Mr van Kregten invited members to identify trees that are valuable for historical or cultural reasons for evaluation and possible protection. It was noted that protected trees required a resource consent for significant works and that blocks of trees cannot be protected. Members asked that the notable tree register included the common names. Members undertook to send suggestions to Annabel Hobson by the 15 September.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2017/26)* to receive the Notable Tree Register Report.

*(Moved Potangaroa/Seconded Roera)*

Carried

#### **4.2 Officers’ Report**

Report not discussed.

#### **4.3 Naming of New Roads**

Members agreed not to submit a list of preapproved road names but would welcome a conversation with Council officers or developers to discuss possible location specific names.

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**5. MEMBER ITEMS**

5.1 What Does SWDC do for Marae in the South Wairarapa

Mayor Napier advised that Council did not currently allocate funds for Marae upkeep and that any changes would need to be in the form of submissions through the Long Term Plan.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

6.1 Inwards

To Reuben Tipoki, Maori Standing Committee, from Paul Crimp, South Wairarapa District Council dated 7 July 2017

Members thanked Council for the allocated funds. Members noted that Gina Smith would be presenting at the next meeting about ‘Communities of Learning’.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2017/27) to receive the inwards correspondence (Moved Roera/Seconded Potangaroa)*

Carried

Mr Tipoki closed with a karakia.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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