



## **MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **Minutes from 1 July 2020**

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<b>Present:</b>	Narida Hooper (Chair), Teresa Aporo, Nathan Maynard, Karen Mikaera, Terry Te Maari, Carlene Te Tau, Andrea Rutene, Mayor Alex Beijen, Councillor Pip Maynard, Councillor Garrick Emms and Councillor Brian Jephson.
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Euan Stitt (Group Manager Partnerships and Operations), Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager) and Steph Dorne (Committee Advisor).
<b>Also in Attendance:</b>	Puhi Te Whaiti, Russell Hooper, Fred Waiker and Henrik Waiker.
<b>Conduct of Business:</b>	The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, 18 Kitchener Street, Martinborough. The meeting was conducted in public between 6:22pm and 8.18pm.

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### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

Carlene Te Tau opened with a Karakia.

Ms Hooper welcomed Andrea Rutene who has been nominated to represent Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa on the Māori Standing Committee. Ms Rutene introduced herself and members did a round table of introductions.

#### **1. APOLOGIES**

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/11) to receive apologies from Harry Wilson, Chief Executive.*

*(Moved Hooper/Seconded Mikaera)*

Carried

#### **2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

#### **3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

##### **3.1 Aoraki Bound – Puhi Te Whaiti**

Puhi Te Whaiti shared her experiences from participating in Aoraki Bound earlier this year. The experience was valuable in areas of personal growth, networking and connection to Māori history. The Committee encouraged Puhi to engage with Kuranui College and local schools to share her

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experience and to encourage those within the South Wairarapa community to seek out leadership programmes. Puhī thanked the Committee for its support and expressed interest in work opportunities the Committee may be able to offer.

#### **4. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

##### **4.1 Aoraki Bound – Puhī Te Whaiti**

The application for financial assistance would be discussed under agenda item 7.1, the Chairperson Report.

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 254: Discuss options for the Committee to support participation in the Aoraki Bound programme each year, MSC.

#### **5. MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION**

##### **5.1 Māori Standing Committee – 4 June 2020**

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/12)* that the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on 4 June 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

*(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Mikaera)*

Carried

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

##### **6.1 Resource Consent Application for a Trial of Ecoreef Coastal Protection System at Palliser Bay**

Russell Hooper, Fred Waiker and Henrik Waiker presented and responded to questions on the Ecoreef concrete module. The presentation covered the basic fundamentals, assembly features, technical fundamentals, transport and construction, aesthetics and ecology, benefits to the local community and specifications. Mr Hooper noted that the proposed trial is a variation to the existing consent and that all other protections would remain in place. Mr Stitt sought input from the Committee and undertook to provide a timeframe for when feedback is due.

Members expressed interest in undertaking a site visit and to receive report backs should the trial go ahead.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/13):*

1. To receive the Resource Consent application for a trial of the Ecoreef coastal protection system at Palliser Bay Report.

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Aporo)*

Carried

2. To note the proposed trial is being undertaken in areas already designated as “Existing Boulder Beach” under the existing consent and that all other protections of the consent would remain in effect.

*(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Mayor Alex Beijen)*

Carried

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 255: Provide feedback on the Resource Consent Application for a Trial of Ecoreef Coastal Protection System at Palliser Bay, MSC.

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## 6.2 Officers' Report

Mr Stitt spoke to matters as outlined in the Officers' Report and provided members with an update of the activities during the Covid-19 lockdown, the drone survey at Cape Palliser Road and the tree removal at Lake Ferry settlement. Mr Stitt also updated members on key activities relating to water, including the plans for the Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Manganese Reduction Plan upgrade, the drinking water programme, and the programme of work to mitigate risks associated with the wastewater system. Mr Stitt undertook to forward the wastewater programme of work prepared by Wellington Water.

Mayor Beijen responded to questions on the review of the District Plan and the timing of the Spatial Plan workshop. The Chair of the Māori Standing Committee would be invited to the upcoming Spatial Plan workshop.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/14) to receive the Officers' Report.*

*(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mikaera)*

Carried

## 6.3 Action Items Report

Members discussed the items, noting further updates and a further action in relation to:

Action 256: Hold a workshop to discuss the budget, how to allocate funding, and to review the grant criteria and application form for community and marae grants, MSC.

Ms Hooper provided an update of a proposed one-day wānanga as restorative justice for the wastewater overflow incident. Members supported the proposed wānanga and suggested members of the Martinborough Community Board be invited. Members suggested Wellington Water be invited back to a following meeting after the wānanga to discuss the experience.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/15) to receive the Action Items Report.*

*(Moved N Maynard/Seconded Cr Maynard)*

Carried

## 6.4 Income and Expenditure Report

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/16) to receive the Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 July 2019 – 31 May 2020.*

*(Moved Mikaera/Seconded Aporo)*

Carried

## 6.5 Election of Māori Standing Committee Chairperson Report

Members discussed whether the election of the chairperson could be deferred until the member vacancies had been filled. Ms Yates advised that the Local Government Act and Standing Orders require committees to have a chairperson but that the committee could elect a chairperson and acknowledge within the Committee that this would be on an interim basis.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/17) to:*

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1. Receive the Election of Māori Standing Committee Chairperson Report receive the Officers' Report.
2. Elect a Chair using system A as outlined in clause 25 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 for the election of the Committee's Chair for the 2019-2022 triennium
3. Hold another election for the Chair of the Māori Standing Committee once member vacancies from Hau Ariki and Papawai Maraes are filled.  
(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Rutene) Carried

Mr Stitt called for nominations to the position of Māori Standing Committee Chair.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/18) that Narida Hooper be elected as Māori Standing Committee Chair.

(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Te Maari) Carried

## 7. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

### 7.1 Chairperson Report

Ms Hooper spoke to matters as outlined in the Chairperson Report. Members undertook to grant Puhi Te Whaiti the full amount requested as the short timeframe Puhi was required to work within was considered a special circumstance to exceed the maximum grant value of \$500. Members discussed having a youth representative and the Committee undertook to considering adding this to its Terms of Reference.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/19):

1. To receive the Chairperson Report.  
(Moved Aporo/Seconded Mikaera) Carried
2. To approve the reimbursement of \$460.70 + GST to Narida Hooper for catering expenses and a gift for Raihānia Tipoki's farewell, funds to come from the MSC Operational fund.  
(Moved Mikaera/Seconded N Maynard) Carried
3. To approve the grant application from Puhi Te Whaiti for a cost of \$609.75 for expenses related to the Aoraki Bound Program completed.  
(Moved Aporo/Seconded Mikaera) Carried
4. To consider adding a youth representative to the Māori Standing Committee Terms of Reference.  
(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mikaera) Carried
5. To write a letter of support to Greytown Trials Trust on the Tauherenikau Cycle Bridge Project.  
(Moved Hooper/Seconded Mikaera) Carried

MSC NOTED:

Action 257: Discuss the long-term goals and objectives of the Māori Standing Committee, MSC.

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Councillor Maynard paid tribute to Rita Hiha and Tania Aporo who had recently passed away. Rita had done a lot of work with kōhanga and the libraries to teach children Te Reo and Tania had given a lot to Hau Ariki Marae and youth in the community.

Councillor Maynard also acknowledged Charles Kaka in his new role as the Chief Executive of Trust House.

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 258: Include acknowledgements and tributes as a standing item on the agenda, K Yates.

Carlene Te Tau closed with a Karakia.

The meeting closed at 8.18pm.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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