



MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE Minutes from 21 September 2020

Present:	Narida Hooper (Chair), Nathan Maynard, Karen Mikaera (to 6.56pm), Terry Te Maari, Andrea Rutene, Toni Kerr, Mayor Alex Beijen, Councillor Pip Maynard, Councillor Garrick Emms and Councillor Brian Jephson (to 7.08pm).
In Attendance:	Tirau Te Tau (Rangitāne o Wairarapa), Tia Tuuta (Papawai Marae), Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Godwell Mahowa (Planning Manager) and Steph Dorne (Committee Advisor).
Also in Attendance:	Grant Crosland, and Ray Lilley (Wairarapa Dark Sky Association).
Conduct of Business:	The meeting was held in the Martinborough Town Hall, Texas Street, Martinborough. The meeting was conducted in public between 6:00pm and 8.27pm. The meeting became extraordinary due to a change of date.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Ms Hooper welcomed Tirau Te Tau who attended to represent Rangitāne o Wairarapa. Ms Te Tau introduced herself and members did a round table of introductions. Ms Hooper explained that Mayor Beijen would provide an update relating to iwi and Māori engagement on the Three Waters Reform programme as a Members Report under agenda item 9.1.

1. APOLOGIES

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/28) to receive apologies from Carlene Te Tau.
(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Te Maari)*

Carried

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES

Ms Te Tau paid tribute to Polly Matthews who had recently passed away and paid tribute to the Ratapu whānau for their loss.

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4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

4.1 Grant Crosland – Naming of a New Right of Way

Mr Crosland requested assistance from the committee in identifying appropriate Māori names for a new right of way at 24-32 Revans Street in Featherston. Mr Crosland offered potential suggestions and invited feedback by mid-December.

4.2 Ray Lilley – Dark Sky Reserve

Mr Lilley spoke in support of the proposed draft Wairarapa International Dark Sky Outdoor Artificial Lighting Plan Change, shared the back story of the dark sky reserve, and requested a letter of support from the Māori Standing Committee.

5. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5.1 Grant Crosland – Naming of a New Right of Way

Members acknowledged Mr Crosland for considering a Māori name and engaging with the committee.

Members discussed the opportunity to develop a process when a Māori name is considered for a new road, time constraints in responding to applications, the desire for early notification, normalising the use of Māori names, and that having a pre-approved list of Māori names doesn't serve the committee well. Officers undertook to consider improvements that can be made to the process through the Naming of Public & Private Roads and Rights of Way Policy.

MSC NOTED:

Action 507: Iwi representatives to discuss the request for the use of a Māori name for the new right of way at 24-32 Revans Street Featherston with their respective iwi and undertake a site visit, MSC.

5.2 Ray Lilley – Dark Sky Reserve

The matters raised would be considered under agenda item 7.1, the Draft Wairarapa International Dark Sky Outdoor Artificial Lighting Plan Change for Public Notification Purposes Report.

Karen Mikaera left the meeting at 6.56pm.

6. MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

6.1 Māori Standing Committee – 4 August 2020

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/29) that the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on 4 August 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Te Maari)

Carried

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7. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

7.1 Draft Wairarapa International Dark Sky Outdoor Artificial Lighting Plan Change for Public Notification Purposes Report

Mr Mahowa updated members on progress with the proposed Plan change and answered questions relating to the submission process.

Members expressed concerns about the engagement process followed with iwi and Māori and did not consider the question the Committee raised surrounding long-term economic impacts to Māori had been fully addressed.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/30):

1. Receive the 'Draft Wairarapa International Dark Sky Outdoor Artificial Lighting Plan Change for Public Notification Purposes' Report.
2. Note that Council at its meeting on 2 September 2020 approved for public notification the Draft Wairarapa International Dark Sky Outdoor Artificial Lighting Plan Change as part of progressing the Council initiated Plan Change.

(Moved Kerr/Seconded Rutene)

Carried

Councillor Jephson left the meeting at 7.08pm.

7.2 Officers' Report

Mr Mahowa responded to questions on the process for engaging with iwi and Māori on resource consents. Members discussed time constraints in responding within the statutory timeframe, and resourcing and remuneration considerations.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/31) to receive the Officer's Report.

(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Maynard)

Carried

7.3 Action Items Report

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

MSC NOTED:

Action 508: Discuss progress on developing the Māori Economy Strategy with Te Puritanga Jefferies, N Hooper.

Ms Yates updated members of discussions with Mr Hurihanganui of Engaging Well to clarify the scope of the proposed Cultural Audit and Mr Hurihanganui's availability to complete the work. Members endorsed proceeding with work on the Terms of Reference this year with a view to a Cultural Audit being conducted in early 2021 ahead of the Long Term Plan.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/32) to receive the Action Items Report.

(Moved Maynard/Seconded Kerr)

Carried

7.4 Income and Expenditure Report

MSC NOTED:

Action 509: Present the Māori Standing Committee budget allocation to the next meeting for approval, K Neems.

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MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/33) to receive the Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 July 2020 – 31 August 2020.

(Moved Rutene/Seconded Kerr)

Carried

- 7.5 Māori Representation on the Wairarapa Library Services Joint Committee
Members discussed potential representatives, the selection process, the time commitment and resourcing of the position, and questioned the appropriateness of the committee being named 'Wairarapa.'
Members considered the Terms of Reference lacked details and noted that while the recommendation could be an expression of interest process, further clarification is needed on the responsibilities and expectations to understand how the process would work before the committee is able to provide guidance.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/34) to receive the Māori Representation on the Wairarapa Library Services Joint Committee Report.

(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

8. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

8.1 Chairperson Report

Ms Hooper spoke to matters in the Chairperson Report and encouraged members to attend the upcoming Long Term Plan and Spatial Plan hui. A supporting document was tabled with key questions for the hui.

Ms Yates updated members of upcoming engagement activities. Members discussed the importance of engaging with rangitahi and suggested engagement be undertaken with students at boarding schools.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/35) to receive the Chairperson Report.

(Moved Cr Emms/Seconded Te Maari)

Carried

9. MEMBER REPORTS

8.1 Member Report from Mayor Beijen (verbal)

Mayor Beijen updated members of the upcoming hui being held to engage with iwi and Māori on the Three Waters Reform Programme and undertook to provide members with the hui schedule.

Ms Hooper closed with a Karakia.

The meeting closed at 8.27pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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