



## **MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE Minutes from 27 October 2020**

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<b>Present:</b>	Narida Hooper (Chair), Karen Mikaera, Teresa Aporo, Andrea Rutene, Toni Kerr, Suzanne Murphy (pending), Mayor Alex Beijen, Councillor Garrick Emms (to 8.02pm) and Councillor Brian Jephson.
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Godwell Mahowa (Acting Group Manager Planning and Environment) Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Lisa Matthews (Regional Positive Ageing Strategy Coordinator) and Steph Dorne (Committee Advisor).
<b>Also in Attendance:</b>	Nicola Litchfield (GNS Science), Tim Lusk (Wairarapa Water), Inia Rademakers (Wairarapa Water), Max Stevens, Joe Howells and Clive Paton.
<b>Conduct of Business:</b>	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough. The meeting was conducted in public between 6:00pm and 8.28pm.

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### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

Ms Hooper welcomed Suzanne Murphy who has been nominated to represent Kohunui Marae on the Committee and Ms Murphy opened with a Karakia.

Ms Hooper requested the Committee consider a late grant application from 28th Māori Battalion Association Featherston Branch.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/36)* to accept the late grant application from 28th Māori Battalion Association as agenda item 8.1; the application was not on the agenda as it had only just come to the attention of the Chair and it could not be deferred to the next meeting in December because the event is planned to occur on 14 November 2020.

*(Moved Kerr/Seconded Rutene)*

Carried

#### **1. APOLOGIES**

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/37)* to receive apologies from Nathan Maynard, Terry Te Maari and Councillor Pip Maynard.

*(Moved Mikaera/Seconded Kerr)*

Carried

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## 2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councillor Jephson declared a conflict of interest with agenda item 4.1, the presentation by Nicola Litchfield on earthquake research on the south Palliser Bay coastline.

## 3. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES

Ms Rutene acknowledged Alistair Spierling for receiving an Order of New Zealand Merit presented by Dame Patsy Reddy and Ms Murphy paid tribute to the Hemi whānau for the recent passing of a whānau member.

## 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### 4.1 Nicola Litchfield – Earthquake research on the south Palliser Bay coastline

Ms Litchfield informed members of an earthquake study GNS Science intends to carry out on the south Palliser Bay coastline. Ms Litchfield outlined the research purpose, selected site locations, archaeological assessment obtained, planned timeline, and requested a letter of support from the Committee to apply to archaeological authorities. The Committee requested being notified of when the work at selected sites would occur.

### 4.2 Tim Lusk and Inia Rademakers – Wakamoekau Community Water Storage Scheme

Mr Lusk and Mr Rademakers spoke to matters on the Wakamoeka Water Storage Scheme, outlining the proposed reservoir site, benefits to the community, objectives and environmental standards, financial support obtained, timeframes and involvement of Iwi. The Committee raised questions on the intensification of farming, timing and involvement of Iwi in a cultural and environmental impact study, and the main funders.

### 4.3 Max Stevens, Joe Howells and Clive Paton – Public access to Hiwinui Forest Block

Mr Stevens, Mr Howells and Mr Paton presented on a submission to Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) to obtain public access to the Hiwinui Forestry Block and outlined potential recreational and biodiversity opportunities. Mr Stevens responded to questions on the cutting rights of the forestry block and requested the Committee support the concept of putting a submission to GWRC.

## 5. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### 5.1 Nicola Litchfield – Earthquake Research on the south Palliser Bay coastline

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 549 – Send a letter of support for GNS Science to apply to archaeological authorities for the earthquake research on the south Palliser Bay coastline, MSC

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5.2 Tim Lusk and Inia Rademakers – Wakamoekau Community Water Storage Scheme

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 550 – Continue discussions with Wairarapa Water Ltd on the Wakamoekau Community Water Storage Scheme, MSC

5.3 Max Stevens and Joe Howells – Public Access to Hiwinui Forest Block

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 551 – Send a letter of support to Max Stevens, Joe Howells and Clive Paton for the concept to gain public access to Hiwinui Forest Block, MSC.

Action 552 – Request Greater Wellington Regional Council forms a Memorandum of Understanding with SWDC in relation to access to the Hiwinui Forest Block at the cessation of the current foresting cutting rights contract.

**6. MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION**

6.1 Māori Standing Committee – 21 September 2020

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/38)* that the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on 21 September 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

*(Moved Rutene/Seconded Cr Emms)*

Carried

**7. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS**

7.1 Officers' Report

Mr Mahowa responded to questions on the Featherston Tiny Homes application being put on hold. Members discussed progress on naming the new road at 123 Fitzherbert Street Featherston and the removal of a site for the trial of the Eco-Reef solution.

Mayor Beijen informed members of an upcoming workshop on Featherston Wastewater and his intention to form a Wairarapa wide group on the Dark Sky Reserve and invited Committee representation .

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 553: To confirm with Carlene Te Tau Rangitāne o Wairarapa's views on the use of the proposed name "Hapori Common" for the proposed new road at 123 Fitzherbert Street, N Hooper.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/39)* to receive the Officer's Report.

*(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Mikaera)*

Carried

7.2 Action Items Report

Members discussed the items and noted further updates.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/40)* to receive the Action Items Report.

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Kerr)*

Carried

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### 7.3 Income and Expenditure Report

On behalf of Kohunui Marae, Ms Murphy thanked the Committee for the grant to assist with establishing a Native Plant Nursery, Kāuta storage and upgrade, and replacement cooking vessels. Ms Murphy invited a member of the Committee to a blessing of the tunnel house and potting shed and requested a three-month extension to complete the grant accountability form.

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 554: Remove the Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020 from future Income and Expenditure Reports, K Neems.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/41) to:*

1. Receive the Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 July 2020 – 30 September 2020.

2. Approve a three-month extension for Kohunui Marae to complete an accountability form for the grant to assist with establishing a Native Plant Nursery, Kāuta storage and upgrade, and replacement cooking vessels.

*(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mikaera)*

Carried

3. Approve reimbursement of \$330.50 (including GST) to Narida Hooper for catering expenses for the Long Term Plan / Spatial Plan Hui held on 28 November 2020, funds to come from the MSC operational fund.

*(Moved Kerr/Seconded Cr Jephson).*

Carried

### 7.4 Te Hōkai Nuku Wairarapa Region Positive Ageing Strategy and Implementation Plan

Ms Matthews spoke to the report, highlighting the growing ageing Māori population and the goals of the strategy. Ms Matthews sought input on what could be implemented to afford improvements across the goals for Māori and tabled a list of questions to guide the discussion.

Members discussed matters of equity and lower life expectancy for Māori, advocating to Central Government to lower the age limit for Māori to access services, and the availability of Māori for Māori services.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/42) to receive Te Hōkai Nuku Wairarapa Region Positive Ageing Strategy and Implementation Plan Report*

*(Moved Andrea/Seconded Teresa)*

Carried

Action 555: MSC members to provide feedback direct to Ms Matthews the Regional Positive Ageing Strategy Coordinator following discussion with their rōpū on the good things that Māori aged over 65 years experience, key issues, changes needed, and actions or activities that could be included in the Positive Ageing Strategy implementation plan to support change, MSC.

### 7.5 Update on the Spatial Plan and Long Term Plan Report

Ms Yates spoke to matters in the report, noting feedback from the Long Term Plan hui had been reported to Councillors and the Spatial Plan diagram had been updated to reflect feedback received. Ms Yates sought further input and offered to support further hui at marae. Ms Yates responded to

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questions on the milestones and noted engagement with the Committee would be ongoing.

Members discussed youth engagement and the intention to reschedule a hui at Kuranui College.

Mayor Beijen left the meeting at 7.52pm.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/43) to receive the Update on the Spatial Plan and Long Term Plan Report.*

*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Emms)*

Carried

*MSC NOTED:*

Action 556: Members to provide dates to the MSC Chair that would be suitable for a Long Term Plan and Spatial Plan hui their marae, MSC.

Action 557: Distribute a timetable of Long Term Plan and Spatial Plan marae hui to members once scheduled, K Yates.

Cr Emms left meeting at 8.02pm.

Mayor Beijen returned to the meeting at 8.02pm.

#### 7.6 Māori Standing Committee Budget and Funding Arrangement Report

Ms Hooper spoke to the proposed budget and partnership agreement with Rangiuira O Wairarapa Kapa Haka Rōpu. Members discussed the possible additional funding set aside for the Terms of Reference, the allocation for the Restorative Justice Process Project, and the benefits and origins of the funding arrangement. Members considered providing the Masterton based Kapa Haka group support over the triennium opens up an opportunity for the group to come to South Wairarapa.

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/44) to:*

1. Receive the 'Māori Standing Committee Budget and Funding Arrangement' Report.

*(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mayor Beijen)*

Carried

2. Approve the Māori Standing Committee budget for 2020/21.

*(Moved Aporo/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

3. Approve the funding partnership agreement with Rangiuira o Wairarapa.

*(Moved Aporo/Seconded Rutene)*

Carried

## 8. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

### 8.1 Application for Financial Assistance

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2020/45) to:*

1. Receive the grant application from 28th Māori Battalion Association Featherston Branch.

*(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mikaera)*

Carried

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2. To approve granting 28th Māori Battalion Association Featherston Branch funds of \$500 to contribute towards a final meeting / Christmas function to honour the descendants of the 28th Māori Battalion.

*(Moved Kerr/Seconded Cr Jephson)*

Carried

Ms Hooper shared her whakapapa and invited members to share their own personal story at future meetings. Ms Murphy closed with a Karakia and Ms Hooper invited suggestions for a Karakia for all members to learn.

The meeting closed at 8.28pm.

**Confirmed as a true and correct record**

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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