



MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE
Minutes from 18 July 2023

Present:	Andrea Rutene (Chair), Karen Mikaera, Narida Hooper, Violet Edwards-Hina, JD Smith, Leonie Edwards, Dorothy Whittaker, Councillor Pip Maynard and Mayor Martin Connelly.
In Attendance:	Leanne Karauna (Principal Advisor Māori), Chris Hyman (Lead Advisor, Information Management), Adam Mattsen, Paul Miller, Paul Clark (Wellington Water) and Lisa Matthews (Positive Aging Strategy), Nigel Carter (Emergency Response) and Nicki Ansell (Lead Policy Advisor), Whitu Karauna (Community).
Public Participation:	Annemieke van Vliet & Simon Fuller (Kuranui College Farming Wananga), Leighton Hale (Ngāti Hinewaka Rep), Rangimaria Hale and Evelyn Clar .
Conduct of Business:	This meeting was conducted in public in the Supper Room, Martinborough Town Hall, Texas Street, Martinborough between 6.00pm and 8.15pm and was live streamed on the Council's YouTube Channel.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Members opened with a karakia.

1. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

There was no extraordinary business.

2. APOLOGIES (YouTube streaming 2:36)

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/23) to receive apologies for lateness from Councillor Maynard.

(Moved Edwards-Hines/Seconded Whittaker)

Carried

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (YouTube streaming 3:50)

Ms Hooper and Ms Mikaera declared a conflict of interest for the funding application from Greytown Trail Pou – Phase 2, to be considered under item 9.8, the Financial Assistance Report.

4. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES (YouTube streaming 4:36)

Ms Karauna acknowledged the passing of Kara Puketapu and Ms Rutene acknowledged the passing of Record Te Tau.

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5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (YouTube streaming 6:08)

Annemieke van Vliet & Simon Fuller – Kuranui College Farming Wananga

Kuranui College acknowledged and thanked the MSC for application for funding and talked about the new farming programme at Kuranui College. Members asked questions around engagement with mana whenua, local involvement, and representation of Māori students in the programme. MSC offered support in connecting Ms van Vliet with local iwi.

Leighton Hale – Paper Trail

Mr Hale talked about the Māori land blocks at Matakaitaki ā Kupe past the Lighthouse and that he is looking for support to limit access to ancestral lands. Vehicle access is impacting the land, freshwater springs, and fish stocks. Many people do not realise it is Māori land not public land and Mr Hale requested help to limit the access, especially to 4-wheel drive vehicles and suggested a walking or cycle track instead. Members discussed what would be needed, their connection to the site and desire to support this. The importance of a working group was noted and Council officers advised the committee on what the Council can do for Paper Trails.

Cr Pip Maynard arrived at 6:10pm

Narida Hooper – Greytown Trail Pou- Phase 2

Ms Hooper updated the MSC on the Pou work, the unveiling and talked through phase two of this project. Members discussed the importance of sharing stories and acknowledged the mahi, support and celebration of the unveiling.

6. ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members acknowledged and appreciated the strong public participation. They valued the opportunity to hear from the community and to working together to achieve positive outcomes.

MSC NOTED:

Action 142: clarification around if it is a council road or has it gone through the Māori land court?

Action 143: propose a steering group, with Mr Hale as Chair and Ms Mikaera MSC representative, protecting sites of significates.

Action 144: Freedom Camping bylaw work to include education on this site.

7. MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION (YouTube streaming 44:21)

7.1 Māori Standing Committee – 27 April 2023

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/24) that the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on 27 April 23 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Hooper/Seconded Smith)

Carried

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8. CHAIRPERSON REPORT *(YouTube streaming 45:01)*

8.1 Chairperson Report

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/25) to receive the Chairperson Report
(Moved Rutene/Seconded Edwards-Hina)*

Carried

9. REPORTS FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF

9.1 Pou Māori April 2023 Report *(YouTube streaming 44.23)*

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/26) to receive the Pou Māori July 2023 Report.
(Moved Mayor Connelly/Seconded Edwards-Hina)*

Carried

Ms Karauna spoke to items outlined in the report and requested guidance on the road naming at Bidwells crossing. Ms Karauna updated the committee on the Road Naming Policy, Freedom Camping Bylaw and sites of significance. Acknowledgement was given to Ms Karauna on her work with sites of significance.

MSC NOTED:

Action 145: Ms Karauna request members give her feedback directly on the choice of the three proposed names at Bidwells crossing.

9.2 Wellington Water Planting Day Report *(YouTube streaming 58.42)*

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/27) to receive the Wellington Water Planting Day Report
(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Hooper)*

Carried

Mr Mattsen spoke to items outlined in the Wellington Water Report with a focus on planting day, proposed sites and planting day event. Cr Maynard discussed collaboration with Martinborough Community Board over planting. Members talked about the sites and next steps.

MSC NOTED:

Action 146: Martinborough Community Board to discuss with Wellington Water and to get a smaller group to visit planting sites.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/28) to establish a working group to finalise the day and support next steps.

(Moved Mikaera/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

9.3 Information Management Updated Report *(YouTube streaming 1.11.28)*

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/29) to receive the Information Management Update Report.
(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Mayor Connelly)*

Carried

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Ms Hyman talked to her report and requested guidance on policy wording. Members discussed restricted and unrestricted records, the right to request information and the legal rights around privacy.

9.4 Emergency Assistance Report (YouTube streaming 1.19.17)

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/30) to receive the Emergency Assistance Report.
(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Cr Maynard) Carried*

Mr Carter talked through the emergency response and the need to shelter people during an emergency and identifying those relationships in advance, recognising the mana of each marae. Discussion around legislation changes in Emergency Management, and the call for iwi to be represented. Discussion around coastal areas and Featherston.

MSC NOTED:

Action 147: SWDC to provide a letter of support to marae interested in being an emergency response shelter. MSC/Māori Pou to work with Mr Carter, building relationship and provide training in emergency management.

Mayor Connelly left the meeting 7:22pm.

9.5 Te Hōkai Nuku Wairarapa Region Positive Ageing Report (YouTube streaming 1.33.22)

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/31) to receive the Te Hōkai Nuku Wairarapa Region Positive Ageing Report.
(Moved Hooper/Seconded Smith) Carried*

Ms Matthews talked through the combined council positive ageing strategy. A review of the Positive Ageing Strategy will be undertaken in 2024 and Ms Matthews requested working with MSC on this review. Members discussed Māori elderly and acknowledged the work taking place at council.

Mayor Connelly returned to the meeting 7:33pm.

9.6 Representation Review (YouTube streaming 1.47.55)

*MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/32) to receive the Representation Review Report.
(Moved Cr Maynard /Seconded Smith) Carried*

Mrs Ansell updated the committee on additional information from Elections NZ around voting options and the requirements around establishing a Māori ward. Discussion around these options and the need for the Māori Standing Committee to have a clear position.

MSC NOTED:

Action 148: That MSC form a position on the Representation Review, which can be explained when members discuss it at their next hui. To be adopted at the next MSC forum.

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9.7 Income and Expenditure Report (YouTube streaming 2.01.29)
MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/33) to receive the Income & Expenditure Report for the period ending 30 June 2022.
(Moved Hooper/Seconded Edwards-Hina) Carried

9.8 Financial Assistance Report (YouTube streaming 2.02.00)
MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/34) to:

1. Receive the Financial Assistance Report.
(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Mayor Connelly) Carried
2. Agree to fund Narida Hooper, \$7,200 to support Greytown Trail Pou
(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Cr Maynard) Carried
Ms Mikaera and Ms Hooper abstained

Members discussed applications for financial assistance. The committee discussed if the Kuranui College application was more suited to the Community & Youth grant, given its strong community and youth focus and declined the application with a request they apply through the Community & Youth grant instead.

9.9 Action Items Report (YouTube streaming 2.06.24)
MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/35) to receive the Action Items Report.
(Moved Edwards-Hina/Seconded Whittaker) Carried

Members discussed open actions and noted further updates.

10. Members Reports

10.1 Mayor Report (YouTube streaming 2.12.37)
MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2023/36) to receive the Mayors Report.
(Moved Mayor Connelly/Seconded Edwards-Hina) Carried

Mayor Connelly discussed the long-term plan, with a focus on sustainable and resilient future. The Mayor request that MSC be involved to have a strong Māori representation for future planning.

MSC NOTED:

ACTION 149: MSC to be included in the wider Long-Term Plan, including engagement.

Members closed with a Karakia.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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.....**Chairperson**

.....**Date**

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