



MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE Minutes from 8 June 2021

Present:	Narida Hooper (Chair), Andrea Rutene (Deputy Chair), Karen Mikaera, Toni Kerr, Teresa Aporo (to 7.09pm), Michele Elliott, Gillies Baker (from 6.07pm), Mayor Alex Beijen, Councillor Garrick Emms and Councillor Pip Maynard.
In Attendance:	Tiraumaera Te Tau, Carlene Te Tau and Amber Craig (Rangitāne o Wairarapa) to 7.09pm, Harry Wilson (Chief Executive) and Steph Frischknecht (Committee Advisor)
Conduct of Business:	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough. The meeting was conducted in public between 6:00pm and 7.41pm.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

Members opened with a karakia.

Ms Hooper welcomed Rangitāne o Wairarapa representative Tiraumaera Te Tau and explained Ms Te Tau would provide an update on participation in the Māori Standing Committee as agenda item 9.1, Member Report.

1. APOLOGIES

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/22) to receive apologies from Suzanne Murphy and Councillor Jephson, and lateness apologies from Gillies Baker.

(Moved Mikaera/Seconded Elliott)

Carried

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES

Members acknowledged the passing of Suzanne Murphy's mother and undertook to send flowers.

Councillor Maynard acknowledged the passing of Jane Murray, a foundation teacher of the Kohanga Reo at Hau Ariki Marae, who had recently passed away.

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4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

5. MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

5.1 Māori Standing Committee – 13 April 2021 and 4 May 2021

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/23) that the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on 13 April 2021 and 4 May 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Kerr/Seconded Cr Maynard)

Carried

6. OPERATIONAL REPORTS – COUNCIL OFFICERS

6.1 Officers' Report

Mr Wilson updated members of the Kuranui College gym expansion and acknowledged Ms Hooper for her involvement in arranging designs for the Innovating Streets programme.

Mr Wilson responded to questions on the Greytown recycling bins and timeframes for the coastal Eco-Reef trial.

Gillies Baker joined the meeting at 6.07pm

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/24) to receive the Officer's Report.

(Moved Kerr/Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

6.2 Action Items Report

Members discussed access to and ownership of Owhanga Landing Reserve and visibility of the Aorangi Bound programme.

Ms Hooper updated members of the cancellation of the Wakamoekau Community Water Storage Scheme (WCWSS) hui. Members wanted to proceed with a community event and discussed the forum, participation and hosting arrangements.

Members discussed the Wairarapa Water Resilience Strategy, Rangitāne o Wairarapa's proposal for a cultural impact assessment of the WCWSS, and a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the WCWSS between the Wairarapa Councils and Wairarapa Water Ltd. Mr Wilson stated an understanding of the WCWSS through discussions with Wairarapa Water Ltd was important context to the MoU and undertook to circulate the draft to members.

Members discussed the priority of having a nominee to represent the interests of tangata whenua on the Considine Park User Group.

Members requested the cultural audit be progressed through Engaging Well.

MSC NOTED:

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1. Action 245: Write a letter to Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā suggesting access to Owihanga Landing Reserve as a significant site, K Mikaera.
2. Action 246: Add information about the Aorangi Bound programme to the Council website, S Priest.
3. Action 247: Organise a panel discussion on the Wakamoheau Community Water Storage Scheme to be hosted by SWDC and the Māori Standing Committee, A Rutene and H Wilson.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/25) to receive the Action Items Report.

(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

6.3 Income and Expenditure Report

Members discussed creating a strategy and plan for unspent committee funds, assigning members to a specific pou or area of responsibility, and undertaking a review of the past year.

MSC NOTED:

Action 248: Hold a strategy wananga in August 2021 including discussion of the committee's 2021/22 budget, N Hooper and A Rutene.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/26) to receive the Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 July 2020 – 30 April 2021.

(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

6.4 Financial Assistance Report

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/27):

1. To receive the Financial Assistance Report
2. To grant Papawai Pā funds of \$9,000 to contribute to the purchase of new kitchen equipment (dishwasher and toaster) for the newly renovated marae kitchen, to be funded from the Marae Wawata pou.

(Moved Baker/Seconded Maynard)

Carried

6.5 Māori Standing Committee Terms of Reference Report

Mr Baker spoke to a letter received from trustees of Papawai Pā Trust which outlined matters for consideration as part of endorsing the Terms of Reference. Members discussed the approach to responding to Papawai Pā, the purpose of the committee, the historical background of the Terms of Reference and delaying the finalisation of the Terms of Reference.

Ms Te Tau advised a letter would be forth coming to advise of the withdrawal of Kohunui Marae, Rangitāne o Wairarapa, Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā and Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-a-Rua Settlement Trust from the Māori Standing Committee. Members discussed relationships with Iwi and marae, and a forth coming letter from the committee inviting the four Wairarapa Iwi entities to meet.

Teresa Aporo, Tiraumaera Te Tau, Carlene Te Tau and Amber Craig left the meeting at 7.09pm.

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Members discussed the establishment of a Māori ward, the Māori Standing Committee model, information needs, the cultural audit, partnership working and communications between Council and the Committee.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/28):

1. To receive the Māori Standing Committee Terms of Reference Report
2. Defer consideration of the Māori Standing Committee Terms of Reference Report to the next meeting.

(Moved Kerr/Seconded Baker)

Carried

8. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

8.1 Chairperson Report

Members discussed the process for spending committee funds, leveraging Council processes and support around procurement of services, and induction of Council policies and processes.

Mr Wilson spoke to the Māori Wards and Representation Arrangements Report presented to Council on 2 June 2021, clarified the intent of the legislative changes, and outlined the decision-making requirements under the Local Government Act 2002.

MSC RESOLVED (MSC 2021/29):

1. To receive the Chairperson Report.

(Moved Elliot/Seconded Rutene)

Carried

2. To ratify spending of \$1,303 for equipment for cultural monitoring projects for Kohunui Marae and Pae tu Mokai O Tauria; to be funded from the Te Taiao pou.

(Moved Baker/Seconded Kerr)

Carried

3. To approve \$950 for fyke nets to be funded from the funds set aside for cultural monitoring programs under the Te Taiao pou.

(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

4. To approve \$323.47 for hosting Professor Rangi Matamua for a talk on Dark Skies, to be funded from the funds set aside of koha under the Awhinahia pou.

(Moved Cr Maynard/Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

5. To delegate the ability for the Chair to spend up to \$500.00 from the Māori Standing Committee budget, subject to confirmation of this approach from finance officers.

(Moved Rutene/Seconded Mikaera)

Carried

6. Approve the Māori Standing Committee letter of response to the four Wairarapa iwi entities in relation to Māori wards dated 25 May 2021.

(Moved Kerr/Seconded Baker)

Carried

9. MEMBER REPORT

There were no member reports. The update from Tiraumaera Te Tau was provided under agenda item 6.5, the Māori Standing Committee Terms of Reference Report.

Members closed with a karakia.

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The meeting closed at 7.41pm.

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.....Chairperson

.....Date

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