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**Chairperson and Members  
Taranaki Regional Council**

**Notice of Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that the **Ordinary Meeting** of the Taranaki Regional Council will be held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on:

**Tuesday 9 December 2008 commencing at 10.30am**

B G Chamberlain  
Chief Executive

**THE TARANAKI REGIONAL COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT THIS  
AGENDA REMAINS EMBARGOED UNTIL COMMENCEMENT OF THE  
MEETING**

**Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council to be held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 9 December 2008 at 10.30am.**



**Councillors**

D N MacLeod (Chairperson)  
M G Davey  
P D Horton  
M A Irving  
B R Jeffares  
M P Joyce  
D L Lean  
B J Marsh  
R F H Maxwell  
N W Walker

**In Attendance**

Messrs	B G Chamberlain	(Chief Executive)
	M J Nield	(Director-Corporate Services)
	G K Bedford	(Director-Environment Quality)
	R A Phillips	(Director-Operations)
	A D McLay	(Director-Resource Management)
	A W Young	(Financial Services Manager)
Mrs	K van Gameren	(Committee Administrator)
Mr	P Ledingham	(Information Officer)

**Apologies** Councillor M J Cloke

**Notification of Late Items**

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Ordinary Meeting: Tuesday 4 November 2008	
<b>Resolve</b>	
THAT the Taranaki Regional Council	
1. <u>takes as read</u> and <u>receives</u> the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 4 November 2008 at 10.30am.	
<b>Matters arising:</b>	

**Item 2**      **Confirmation of Minutes**  
Consents and Regulatory Committee:  
Tuesday 18 November 2008

7 – 13

**Resolve**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 18 November 2008 at 10.30am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.
3. takes as read and receives the resolutions (under delegated authority) of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 18 November 2008 at 10.30am.

**Matters arising:**

**Item 3**      **Confirmation of Minutes**  
Policy and Planning Committee  
Thursday 20 November 2008

14 – 19

**Resolve**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, Cloten Road, Stratford, on Thursday 20 November 2008 at 10.30am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.

**Matters arising:**

**Item 4**      **Confirmation of Minutes**  
Executive Committee  
Monday 1 December 2008

20 - 22

**Resolve**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Executive Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, Cloten Road, Stratford, on Monday 1 December 2008 at 10.05am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.

**Matters arising:**



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**Resolve**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Regional Transport Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, Cloten Road, Stratford, on Wednesday 3 December 2008 at 11.10am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.

**Matters arising:**

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<b><u>Item 9</u></b>	<b>Public Excluded</b>	
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**Resolve**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council, namely:

**Item 10: Confidential Minutes  
Consents and Regulatory Committee  
Tuesday 18 November 2008**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of the resolution are as follows:

<b>General Subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Grounds under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</b>
Item 10 – Confidential Minutes	Where the disclosure of the information would likely prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial.	NZS9202:2003 Incorporating Amendment No. 1 A1(a)

**Item 10**      **Confidential Minutes**  
**Consents & Regulatory Committee**  
**Tuesday 18 November 2008**

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**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the  
Taranaki Regional Council, held in the  
Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47  
Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 4  
November 2008 at 10.30am.**

<b>Present</b>	Councillors	D N MacLeod M J Cloke M G Davey P D Horton M A Irving B R Jeffares M P Joyce B J Marsh R F H Maxwell N W Walker	(Chairman)
<b>In attendance</b>	Messrs	M J Nield A D McLay G K Bedford R A Phillips A W Young P Ledingham	(Director-Corporate Services) (Director-Resource Management) (Director-Environment Quality) (Director-Operations) (Financial Services Manager) (Information Officer)
	Mrs	K van Gameren	(Committee Administrator)

**Apologies** The apology from Councillor D L Lean was received and sustained.

**Notification of**

**Late Items** General Business – Mt Taranaki/Egmont Lahar warnings and Taranaki Regional Gardens

**1. Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council  
Tuesday 23 September 2008

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and receives the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 23 September 2008 at 10.30 am.

### **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **2. Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes of the Regional Transport Committee  
Thursday 9 October 2008

### **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Regional Transport Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Thursday 9 October 2008 at 10.30 am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.

08/255

Maxwell/Jeffares

## **3. Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes of the Consents and Regulatory Committee  
Tuesday 14 October 2008

### **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 14 October 2008 at 10.30 am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.
3. takes as read and receives the resolutions (under delegated authority) of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 14 October 2008 at 10.30 am.

08/256

Marsh/Walker

### **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

#### 4. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the Policy and Planning Committee  
Thursday 16 October 2008

##### Resolved

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Thursday 16 October 2008 at 10.30 am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.

08/257

Walker/Cloke

##### Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

#### 5. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the Policy and Planning Hearing Committee – to hear submissions on the Draft Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki  
Thursday 16 October 2008

##### Resolved

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Thursday 16 October 2008 at 10.30 am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.

08/258

Walker/Cloke

##### Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

#### 6. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the Executive Committee  
Tuesday 28 October 2008

## **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Executive Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Committee Room, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 28 October 2008 at 10.00 am.
2. adopts the recommendations therein.

08/259

MacLeod/Walker

## **Matters arising**

### Port Taranaki Blue Highway Bridge Study application

It was noted that the application made by Port Taranaki Port Taranaki to the New Zealand Transport Agency for funding to undertake a feasibility study into a Blue Highway Sea Freight proposal would be forwarded to the next meeting of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee for their support and consideration only. It was not the intention of the Executive Committee to recommend the application be endorsed by the Regional Transport Committee and the Executive Committee minutes were amended to reflect this.

## **7. Local Governance Statement**

- 7.1 The Council's Local Governance Statement, prepared pursuant to section 40 of the Local Government Act 2002, was received and adopted.

## **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum and adopts the Taranaki Regional Council Local Governance Statement.

08/260

Cloke/Joyce

## **8. Review of the Regional Air Quality Plan for Taranaki**

- 8.1 Mr A D McLay, Director-Resource Management, spoke to the memorandum advising members that the Proposed Regional Air Quality Plan for Taranaki is to be notified for public consultation.

## **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum on the review of the Regional Air Quality Plan for Taranaki
2. notes that the Proposed Regional Air Quality Plan for Taranaki is to be publicly notified for consultation on 31 January 2009.

08/261

Walker/Cloke

## **9. Regional Transport Committee – South Taranaki District Council alternate**

- 9.1 The nomination of Councillor Ian Armstrong as the South Taranaki District Council's alternate representative on the Regional Transport Committee for Taranaki was received and endorsed.

### **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum
2. appoints Councillor Ian Armstrong as the alternate representative for the South Taranaki District Council on the Regional Transport Committee for Taranaki.

08/262

Marsh/Maxwell

## **10. Meeting Dates – November-December 2008**

- 10.1 The schedule of meeting dates for the six-weekly round in November-December 2008 was received and noted.

## **11. General Business**

### Lahar warnings Mt Taranaki/Egmont

Mr G K Bedford, Director-Environment Quality, provided an update to the Council on the rain-triggered lahars on Mt Taranaki/Egmont in April 2008 and the current seismic and rainfall monitoring systems in place. It was noted that technology was available to provide warning systems on lahars and it is acknowledged that there is a greater risk of these events on Mt Taranaki/Egmont. It was noted that most lahars stop within the National Park boundary, but if carried further, could cause damage to private property. The Council (as administering authority for the Taranaki CDEM Group) will continue to review the potential value of a warning system.

### Taranaki Regional Gardens

The successful public openings of Tupare and Hollard Gardens were noted and discussed. It was noted that usage of the two gardens would be monitored and discussed when the Asset Management Plans for the gardens were next reviewed.

## **12. Public Excluded**

Members resolved not to take the Ordinary meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council into public excluded as there were no matters arising under the items for discussion.

There being no further business, Chairman D N MacLeod, declared the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council closed at 11.20 am.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**D N MacLeod**

**Date:** **9 December 2008**

**Minutes of the Consents and Regulatory  
Committee Meeting of the Taranaki  
Regional Council, held in the Taranaki  
Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten  
Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 18  
November 2008 at 10.30 am.**

<b>Present</b>	Councillors	D L Lean M J Cloke M G Davey M A Irving B R Jeffares M P Joyce M B Marsh R F H Maxwell N W Walker	(Chairperson)     (from 10.55am)
		D N MacLeod	(ex officio)
<b>In attendance</b>	Messrs	B G Chamberlain G K Bedford M J Nield C H McLellan B E Pope P Ledingham	(Chief Executive) (Director-Environment Quality) (Director-Corporate Services) (Consents Manager) (Compliance Manager) (left 10.50am) (Information Officer)
	Mrs	K van Gameren	(Committee Administrator)

One member of the media

**Apologies**                      There were no apologies.

**Notification of  
Late Items**                      Public Excluded - General Business

**1. Confirmed Minutes: Consents and Regulatory Committee  
- 14 October 2008**

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the confirmed minutes of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting held on Tuesday 14 October 2008 at 10.30 am.

## **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

### **2. Unauthorised Incident Register 27 September 2008 to 2 November 2008**

- 2.1 The Committee received and considered the Unauthorised Incidents Register for the period of 27 September 2008 to 2 November 2008.

#### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the Unauthorised Incidents Register for the period of 27 September 2008 to 2 November 2008 and adopts the recommendations therein.

08/264

MacLeod/Walker

### **3. Environment Court decision on Fabish Brothers Ltd, B J Fabish, B J Harris and K B Smith – unauthorised dairy shed discharges**

- 3.1 Mr B E Pope, Compliance Manager, spoke to the memorandum advising members of the outcome of the prosecution of Fabish Brothers Ltd and B J Fabish and also B J Harris for the contravention of their resource consents and the Resource Management Act 1991. It was noted that K B Smith was sentenced at the Environment Court in New Plymouth on 13 November 2008 to a \$11,000 fine taking into consideration his earlier guilty plea and extenuating personal circumstances.
- 3.2 Members discussed the recently completed assessment on the effectiveness of the prosecution and enforcement provisions of the Resource Management Act and its implementation by local authorities and the Courts, prepared by the Council's enforcement lawyer, Karenza de Silva.

#### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum
2. notes the fines imposed by the Court represent an increase over similar previous incidents.

08/265

MacLeod/Walker

#### **4. Non- notified resource consents and exercise of delegations**

- 4.1 The Committee considered and discussed the memorandum advising the Committee of non-notified consents/certificates of compliance granted under delegated authority and of consent processing actions since the last meeting.
- 4.2 The exercise of delegations under the Resource Management Act 1991 was reported for information.

##### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the schedule of non-notified resource consents/certificates of compliance granted under delegated authority
2. receives the schedule of consent processing delegations.

08/266

Cloke/Maxwell

#### **5. Resource consents from other consent authorities**

- 5.1 The Committee received and considered the schedule of notified and limited-notified resource consent applications forwarded to the Taranaki Regional Council from district councils.

##### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the schedule of notified and limited-notified applications for resource consents forwarded from other consent authorities.

08/267

Irving/Marsh

#### **6. Forthcoming Hearing: Taranaki By-Products Limited – application to change the conditions of consent 3941-2 to increase the amount of land to be irrigated**

- 6.1 Mr C H McLellan, Consents Manager, spoke to the memorandum recommending that the Taranaki Regional Council delegates to a Hearing Committee the authority to determine application 4866, if a hearing is necessary, and to delegate to Council staff the authority to determine the application if no hearing is required.

## **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives this memorandum
2. notes that a hearing is expected to be held early in 2009
3. subject to a hearing being necessary, in accordance with section 34A(1) of the Resource Management Act appoints Cr D Lean [Chairman] Cr M Irving and Cr M Joyce as hearing commissioners and delegates to them the power to hear and determine the resource consent application lodged by Taranaki By-Products Limited [4866]
4. if no hearing is necessary, delegates staff the authority to determine the resource consent application lodged by Taranaki By-Products Limited [4866] as if it was a non-notified application.

08/268

Cloke/MacLeod

## **7. Consent monitoring annual reports**

Councillor M G Davey declared an interest in Item 7 (Consent monitoring annual reports - specifically the Waiwhakaiho Airshed Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2007-2008) and took no part in the discussion or recommendations.

- 7.1 Mr G K Bedford, Director Environment Quality, spoke to the memorandum outlining 13 tailored monitoring programme annual reports for the 2003-2006, 2005-2008, 2006-2008 and 2007-2008 monitoring periods. The reports generally indicated a high or good level of environmental performance.
- 7.2 The TrustPower Limited – Lake Rotorangi Monitoring Programme Water quality and biological programmes Annual report 2007-2008 was discussed. Members noted the increased amount of weed in the lake since 1987 and the concern of lake users about the encroachment of weed along certain areas of the lake impacting on recreational use. It was questioned if there is periodic removal of weed from the lake by TrustPower Limited and if their resource consents contained provisions for weed removal. This would be investigated and reported back to the next Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting.
- 7.3 There was also a question concerning the various requirements set out in consents related to the Urenui sea-wall. Staff undertook to report back on this matter also.

## **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the Swift Energy New Zealand Limited Deep Well Injection Monitoring Programme Triennial Report 2003-2006 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
2. receives the Shell Todd Oil Services Ltd Maui and Kapuni Production Stations Joint Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
3. receives the Todd Taranaki Ltd McKee Production Station Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
4. receives the GR & LJ Jones Quarry Monitoring Programme Biennial Report 2006-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
5. receives the Miscellaneous Mix-Bury Cover Monitoring Programme Triennial Report 2005-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
6. receives the STDC Coastal Structures Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
7. receives the NPDC Coastal Structures Monitoring Programme Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
8. receives the TrustPower Ltd – Lake Rotorangi Monitoring Programme Water quality and biological programmes Annual Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
9. receives the South Taranaki District Council Opunake Wastewater Treatment System Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
10. receives the AB & DM Sybrandy Contracting Limited Inaha Road Quarry Monitoring Programme Biennial Report 2006-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
11. receives the Waiwhakaiho Airshed Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
12. receives the New Plymouth District Council Crematorium Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2007-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein
13. receives the Greenwaste 2008 Monitoring Programme Biennial Report 2006-2008 and adopts the specific recommendations therein

08/234

Walker/Irving

## 8. General Business

There were no items of general business.

## 9. Public Excluded

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

resolves that the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council, held on Tuesday 18 November 2008, namely:

- Item 10: Confidential Minutes  
Consents & Regulatory Committee  
14 October 2008**
- Item 11: General Business**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

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Item 11 – General Business	Where the disclosure of the information would likely prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial.	NZS9202:2003 Incorporating Amendment No. 1 A1(a)

08/269

Lean/MacLeod

There being no further business, the Chairperson Mr D L Lean declared the Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting closed at 11.30 am.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**D N MacLeod**

**Date:** **9 December 2008**

**Minutes of the Policy and Planning  
Committee Meeting of the Taranaki  
Regional Council, held in the Taranaki  
Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten  
Road, Stratford, on Thursday 20  
November 2008 at 10.30 am.**

<b>Present</b>	Councillors	N W Walker M J Cloke M G Davey P D Horton M A Irving M P Joyce	(Chairperson)
		D N MacLeod	(ex officio)
<b>Representatives</b>	Councillor Councillor	J Rowe A Hickey	(Stratford District Council) (South Taranaki District Council)
<b>In attendance</b>	Messrs  Mrs  Mr	B G Chamberlain G K Bedford G C Severinsen P Ledingham D A Smith  J Clough	(Chief Executive) (Director-Environment Quality) (Policy Manager) (Information Officer) (Acting Committee Administrator)  (Wrightson Consulting)
<b>Apologies</b>	The apologies from Councillor D L Lean, Mr G Hight (Federated Farmers of New Zealand) and Councillor M Betts (New Plymouth District Council) were received and sustained.		
<b>Notification of Late Item</b>	There were no late items of business.		

**1. Confirmed Minutes: Policy and Planning Committee Meeting  
- 16 October 2008**

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the confirmed minutes of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday 16 October 2008 at 10.30 am.

08/270

Cloke/Rowe

## **Matters Arising**

### Review of the Regional Air Quality Plan for Taranaki

Mr G K Bedford, Director—Environment Quality noted that it was proposed to delay notification of the *Proposed Air Quality Plan for Taranaki* until early 2009.

## **2. Confirmed Minutes: Policy and Planning Hearing Committee Meeting - 16 October 2008**

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the confirmed minutes of the Policy and Planning Hearing Committee meeting held on Thursday 16 October 2008 at 12.40 pm.

08/271

Walker/Joyce

### **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **3. Proposed Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki: Report of the Policy and Planning Hearing Committee following the Hearing of submissions**

- 3.1 Mr G Severinsen, Policy Manager, spoke to the memorandum introducing the report of the Policy and Planning Hearing Committee following the Hearing of Submissions on the *Proposed Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki*.
- 3.2 It was noted that one further matter had come to the Council's attention following the Hearing of Submissions. Winstone Aggregates Ltd had raised an issue of concern subsequent to the hearing concerning the new Minerals section and the use of the word 'any' in the Objective, Policy 1, Explanation and Method 1 and 5. Following discussion with other affected submitters it was agreed, at staff level, that the word 'any' be removed from Policy 1, the Explanation text and Methods 1 and 5 but remain in the Objective. The Council's agreement was sought to this change.
- 3.3 The Committee noted that a formal decisions document and a further amended version of the Regional Policy Statement will be prepared for adoption by the full Council. Following adoption, the decisions document will then be forwarded to all submitters who will then have 30 working days from the service of the Council's decisions to appeal to the Environment Court against those decisions.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum on the Proposed Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki: Report of the Policy and Planning Hearing Committee following the Hearing of submissions
2. adopts the report and recommendations of the Policy and Planning Hearing Committee following the Hearing of Submissions to the Proposed Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki, subject to amendment under recommendation 3 below
3. agrees to amend the recommendation in the Report on Submissions following pre-hearing consultation, dated September 2008, concerning submission 10(b), Winstone Aggregates, submission 5(a) Crown Minerals, Ministry of Economic Development and submission 26(a) Aggregate and Quarry Association of NZ, by deleting the word “any” where it appears in Policy 1, Explanation of the policies, Method 1 and Method 5, of the Proposed new Section 12, Minerals
4. notes that a formal document recording the decisions of the Taranaki Regional Council on submissions to the Proposed Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki together with an amended version of the Statement will be submitted to the Council for adoption.

08/272

Horton/Joyce

#### **4. Bridging the gap between environmental knowledge and research project**

- 4.1 Mr G K Bedford, Director Environment Quality, introduced Mr Nick Giera of Nimmo-Bell Consultants who had been invited to attend the meeting and provide an overview of the findings of a recent three year research project partly carried out in Taranaki. The research had focused on three environmental issues – nitrate leaching, erosion and possum control.
- 4.2 It was noted that a positive outcome of the research project had indicated that the farmers surveyed within the Taranaki region appreciated the information received from and the positive and co-ordinated support provided by the Taranaki Regional Council.
- 4.3 During discussion, Councillor M G Davey, commented on work being done on nitrate inhibitors and measurements of their efficacy, noting their potential for mitigating losses of nitrogen to ground water and the atmosphere.

#### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. reviews the memorandum
2. notes the research project partly involved Taranaki farmers; and
3. notes the research provides some information on farmers’ perceptions for the Council’s land management programmes.

08/273

Cloke/Irving

## 5. UK reports on managing diffuse source pollution from agriculture

- 5.1 Mr G Severinsen, Policy Manager, spoke to the memorandum introducing two reports prepared for the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) in the United Kingdom, on methods to control diffuse water pollution from agriculture.

### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum 'UK reports on managing diffuse source pollution from agriculture'.

08/274

Rowe/Joyce

## 6. Report on assimilation and dilution of discharges from dairy effluent treatment ponds

- 6.1 Mr G K Bedford, Director—Environment Quality, spoke to the memorandum advising the Committee of the preparation of a report by Council officers on the results and significance of a study into the downstream effects of a discharge from a dairy effluent treatment pond system.

- 6.2 A positive result of the study found that riparian planting provided significant additional benefits for water quality, even when the pre-existing quality is already high.

### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives this memorandum on the preparation of a report presenting the results of a study into the in-stream assimilation and dilution of the discharge from a dairy effluent treatment pond system
2. notes that the study provides information on the rate of assimilation that assists in the consideration of the potential for cumulative effects, and their avoidance
3. notes that the Council has opportunity to consider this information further at the time of review of the *Regional Fresh Water Plan for Taranaki*.

08/275

Rowe/Joyce

## 7 Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy 2020

- 7.1 Mr C Spurdle, Policy Analyst, spoke to the memorandum introducing the discussion paper entitled *Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy 2020* prepared by Biosecurity New Zealand and sought endorsement of officer comment on the Strategy.

## **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives this memorandum on the *Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy 2020*, including the Executive Summary of the Strategy
2. endorses the attached response to the Strategy.

08/276

Davey/MacLeod

## **8. State of the Environment Report for Taranaki**

- 8.1 Mr G Severinsen, Policy Manager, spoke to the memorandum updating Members on progress with the preparation of the next *State of the Environment Report for Taranaki*.
- 8.2 It was noted that the report was in an advanced stage of preparation and was similar in structure to the 2003 report but with new chapters on Waste, Energy and Biodiversity. It was intended that the report should be eye-catching with coloured maps, photographs and graphs, and over 40 case studies on individuals and organisations.
- 8.3 The report is to be launched in March 2009.

## **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes that progress is on track for the production of the next *State of the Environment Report for Taranaki* with an anticipated publication and launch date early in 2009.

08/277

Davey/Irving

## **9. Proposed National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management**

- 9.1 Mr G Severinsen, Policy Manager, spoke to the memorandum introducing a *Proposed National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management* and issues that could be raised in a submission on behalf of the Council. It was noted that the closing date for submissions was 23 January 2009 which provided no time for the presentation of a draft submission to the Council, and feedback was required to guide officers in drafting a submission.
- 9.2 It was noted that the introduction of this NPS presented serious consequences, both negative and positive as it was a statutory instrument under the RMA.

## **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes that the Proposed National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management has been notified for submissions

2. notes that a submission will be prepared and presented
3. notes that a copy of the submission will be presented to the next meeting.

08/278

Cloke/Joyce

## **10. Freshwater Science Society Conference in Taranaki**

10.1 Members were advised of the upcoming Freshwater Science Society Conference to be held in New Plymouth on 24-27 November 2008.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes the upcoming Freshwater Science Conference and the opportunities this will provide to showcase freshwater issues in Taranaki, and their management, to scientists and freshwater managers from around the country.

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Davey/Rowe

## **11. General Business**

There were no items of general business.

There being no further business, the Committee Chairman Councillor N W Walker, declared the Policy and Planning Committee meeting closed at 12.00 pm.

### **Confirmed**

**Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**D N MacLeod**

**Date:** **9 December 2008**

**Minutes of the Executive Committee  
Meeting of the Taranaki Regional  
Council, held in the Taranaki Regional  
Council Committee Room, 47 Cloten  
Road, Stratford, on Monday 1 December  
2008 at 10.05 am.**

<b>Present</b>	Councillors	D N MacLeod D L Lean R F H Maxwell N W Walker	(Chairperson)
<b>In attendance</b>	Messrs	B G Chamberlain M J Nield R A Phillips A W Young	(Chief Executive) (Director-Corporate Services) (Director-Operations) (Financial Services Manager)
	Mrs	K van Gameren	(Committee Administrator)

**Apologies**                      There were no apologies.

**Notification of  
Late Items**                      There were no items of general business.

**1. Financial and Operational Report**

- 1.1 The Committee received and considered the Monthly Financial Reports for September and October 2008 outlining the operational and financial performance of the Council for the month and year to date.
- 1.2 There were no documents signed under the Council's seal during the period to 1 December 2008.
- 1.3 Members noted and discussed the visitor numbers to Tupare and Hollard Gardens during the Taranaki Rhododendron Festival. The transfer of the balance of funds held in the Hollard Garden Endowment Reserve to retained earnings was discussed. Councillor N W Walker suggested, with the closure of the Endowment Reserve, that the Council consider a way in which bequests can continue to be received for the benefit of both Tupare and Hollard Gardens.

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- 1. receives this memorandum and adopts the Monthly Financial Reports for September and October 2008

2. noting the development of Hollard Gardens to date, transfers the balance of Hollard Garden Endowment Reserve to retained earnings and closes the Hollard Garden Endowment Reserve
3. notes that the Common Seal was not affixed to any documents during the period to 1 December 2008.

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Lean/Walker

## **2. Completion of the development of the Council's poplar and willow nursery**

- 2.1 Mr R A Phillips, Director-Operations, spoke to the memorandum providing an update on the development of the Council's poplar and willow nursery to date and to seek approval to complete the development involving construction of a storage and toilet/bathroom facility, a shade house and riparian planting demonstration site.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum related to the Council's poplar and willow nursery
2. approves the further development costs involving the construction of a shed, shade house and riparian planting, at an estimated total cost of \$63,500.

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MacLeod/Maxwell

## **3. General Business**

### Local Government New Zealand Regional Affairs Committee

Mr B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive, provided a verbal report to the Committee on items of interest arising from the Local Government New Zealand Regional Affairs Committee meeting in Nelson.

### Port Taranaki Limited Director Recruitment

Members were provided with an update on the recruitment process to date for the appointment of a Director to the Board of Port Taranaki Limited.

### Council's poplar and willow nursery

At the conclusion of the Executive Committee meeting, Members were taken on a tour of the Council's poplar and willow nursery on Mountain Road, Lepperton.

There being no further business, the Chairperson Mr D N MacLeod, declared the Executive Committee meeting closed at 10.40 am.

**Confirmed**

**Chairman** \_\_\_\_\_  
**D N MacLeod**

**Date:** **9 December 2008**

**Minutes of the Regional Transport  
Committee Meeting of the Taranaki  
Regional Council, held in the Taranaki  
Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road,  
Stratford on Wednesday 3 December 2008  
commencing at 11.10 am.**

<b>Members</b>	Councillors	R F H Maxwell	(Chairperson)
		B R Jeffares	
		H Dodunski	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Mayor	J Edwards	(Stratford District Council)
	Councillor	G Lawson	(South Taranaki District Council)
	Ms	J Chetwynd	(New Zealand Transport Agency)
	Mr	R Hendry	(Environmental sustainability)
	Mrs	K Stowers	(Access and mobility)
	Dr	P Hutchinson	(Public health)
	Mr	J Geraghty	(Economic development)
	Mr	P Moeahu	(Cultural interests)

<b>In Attendance</b>	Councillor	M J Cloke	
	Councillor	D N MacLeod	
	Councillor	M Pearce	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Messrs	R A Phillips	(Director-Operations)
		G C Severinsen	(Policy Manager)
	Mrs	J Bielski	(Policy Analyst)
	Mr	C Spurdle	(Policy Analyst)
	Mrs	K van Gameren	(Committee Administrator)
	Messrs	M Aves	(New Plymouth District Council)
		B Jagersma	(Stratford District Council)
		V Lim	(South Taranaki District Council)
		E Christiansen	(New Zealand Transport Agency)
	Ms	E Shaw	(Ministry of Transport)
	Senior Sergeant	S Keenan	(New Zealand Police)
	Ms	K Mekalick	(South Taranaki District Council)

One member of the media

**Apologies** The apology from Inspector F Grant (New Zealand Police – safety and personal security) was received and sustained.

**Notification of Late Items** There were no late items of business.

**Regional  
Transport  
Committee  
Workshop**

The meeting of the Regional Transport Committee was preceded by a Workshop providing an overview to Members and attendees on Regional

Land Transport Programmes and the schedule of work and priorities for the Committee going forward.

**1. Confirmed Minutes - Regional Transport Committee:  
9 October 2008**

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the confirmed minutes of the Regional Land Transport Committee meeting held on Tuesday 9 October 2008 at 10.30 am.

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Edwards/Dodunski

**Matters arising**

Concerns relating to accessing the Onaero Motor Camp

Committee Chairperson, R F H Maxwell, noted that a further improvement to signage along State Highway 3 at Onaero Motor Camp was required. Following discussion, it was recommended that further correspondence be sent to the New Zealand Transport Agency expressing the concerns of the Committee and to request additional road signs to reduce speed.

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. agrees that further correspondence be sent to the New Zealand Transport Agency requesting additional signage (to reduce speed) along State Highway 3 at the Onaero Motor Camp.

08/283

Maxwell/Geraghty

**2. Minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Advisory Group**

- 2.1 The minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Advisory Group meetings held on Wednesday 1 October 2008 and Thursday 20 November 2008 (unconfirmed) were received and noted.

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the confirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Advisory Group meeting held on 1 October 2008

2. receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Advisory Group meeting held on 20 November 2008.

08/284

Maxwell/Lawson

### 3. Development of a Significance Policy for the Regional Land Transport Programme for Taranaki

- 3.1 Mrs J Bielski, Policy Analyst, spoke to the memorandum requesting endorsement of a draft definition for Minor Capital Works prepared by Members of the Regional Transport Advisory Group, a draft 'Significance Policy' prepared for the Regional Land Transport Programme for Taranaki, and a prioritisation process for the Regional Land Transport Programme for Taranaki.
- 3.2 The Committee noted and discussed the Regional Transport Advisory Group's (RTAG) suggested policy for determining the significance (for consultation purposes) of amendments or variations to regional land transport programmes and endorsed their recommendation. It was noted that the section of the policy that reads ...*variations to the timing, cashflow or total cost...* be amended to read *minor variations to the timing...* The small amendment is due to the fact that the RTAG, on review of their proposed policy following completion of the agenda, felt the amendment provided greater clarity to the policy. This was agreed by the Committee.

#### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes the statutory requirements relating to the development of a definition for 'Minor Capital Works' and a 'Significance Policy' for the Regional Land Transport Programme for Taranaki
2. approves the following definition of 'minor capital works for the purpose of determining which activities should be excluded from regional prioritisation during regional land transport programme preparation:

*Minor capital works are defined as capital projects associated with local roads, including associated property purchase, that meet all of the following criteria:*

- ~~▪ are wholly within a single territorial authority area~~
- have a capital cost of less than or equal to \$4.5 million
- are not on a regional arterial road (where classified); or
- do not use ~~regionally distributed funds (R Funds).~~ or special funding for specific regions (C Funds).

3. approves the following policy for determining the significance (for consultation purposes) of amendments or variations to regional land transport programmes:

*When determining the significance of a variation to the RLTP, consideration must be given to the extent to which the variation:*

- Impacts on the contribution towards NZTS objectives and/or GPS targets.
- Impacts on the appropriate approved organisations own significance policy.
- Materially changes the balance of strategic investment in a programme or project.
- Changes the scope of the project so that it would significantly alter the original objectives of the project.

- *Affects the integrity of the RLTP, including its overall affordability.*

*The following amendments or variations to the RLTP are considered to be not significant for purposes of consultation:*

- *Activities that are in the urgent interests of public safety.*
- *New preventative maintenance and emergency reinstatement activities in accordance with the PPFM.*
- *Addition of an activity or activities that have previously been consulted on in accordance with sections 18 and 18A of the LTMA and which the RTC considers complies with the provisions for funding approval in accordance with section 20 of the LTMA.*
- *A scope change that does not significantly alter the original objectives of the project (to be determined by the RTC).*
- *Addition of the Investigation phase of a new activity, one which has not been previously consulted upon in accordance with section 18 of the LTMA.*
- *Minor variations to the timing, cashflow or total cost, for the following:*
  - *improvement projects*
  - *demand management activities*
  - *community-focused activities.*
- *Replacement of a project within a group of generic projects by another project of the same type.*

4. approves the adoption of the New Zealand Transport Agency's prioritisation process for the Regional Land Transport Programme for Taranaki.

08/285

Maxwell/Lawson

#### **4. Regional Funding projected expenditure and funding criteria**

- 4.1 Mr R A Phillips, Director-Operations, spoke to the memorandum providing Members with an up-to-date summary of anticipated Regional Funding revenue and expenditure for the Taranaki region out to 2014/2015 provided by the New Zealand Transport Agency and to request approval of a revised set of Regional Funding eligibility criteria for the Taranaki region.
- 4.2 Members discussed the draft set of Regional funding criteria as suggested by the Regional Transport Advisory Group (RTAG). It was noted that the first criteria stating that R funds can only be used for advancing capital projects in the Taranaki region (not for operations and renewals), be applied to the second criteria where it refers to the use of R funds in neighbouring regions ie where R funds can be used for capital projects of strategic benefit to Taranaki, but which are located in a neighbouring region.

#### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes the summary of anticipated Regional Funding revenue and expenditure for the Taranaki region out to 2014/15 provided by the New Zealand Transport Agency

2. agrees to the draft Regional Funding criteria, as amended, proposed by members of the Regional Transport Advisory Group.

08/286

Jeffares/Lawson

## **5. Regional Land Transport Programme – project planning and key milestones**

- 5.1 The memorandum highlighting the important Regional Land Transport Programme milestones for the information of the Committee was noted and received.
- 5.2 Members noted that the Regional Transport Committee will form a Hearing Committee to hear submissions to the Regional Land Transport Programme in May 2009.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the report on Regional Land Transport Programme – project planning and key milestones
2. agrees to the proposed key dates work schedule specified for future Regional Transport Committee meetings
3. agrees that the full Regional Transport Committee for Taranaki is to be the Hearing Committee for the Regional Land Transport Programme but only those members who represent the three district councils, the Taranaki Regional Council and NZTA can vote on submissions received.

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Dodunski/Edwards

## **6. Regional Land Transport Strategy review process**

- 6.1 Mrs J Bielski, Policy Analyst, spoke to the memorandum updating Members of the statutory requirements for a review of the current Regional Land Transport Strategy for Taranaki and the timeline for doing so. The Strategy must be renewed once every three years and therefore must be commenced by February 2009.
- 6.2 Members noted and agreed, that due to an increased workload for Council staff and new requirements for the content of the Strategy, a request for a time extension be made to the Minister of Transport. Should approval be provided, the review of the Strategy would commence in the 2009/2010 financial year.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes the timeframes and content requirements relating to regional land transport strategies further to the changes introduced by the Land Transport Management Amendment Act 2008

2. agrees to request an 18 month extension from the Minister of Transport for the development of a revised *Regional Land Transport Strategy for Taranaki*.

08/288

Maxwell/Edwards

## **7. Regionalisation of Government Policy Statement targets**

- 7.1 The memorandum providing an update to Members on indicative regional allocations developed by the New Zealand Transport Agency for each transport activity class and Regionalised Government Policy Statement targets was received and discussed by the Committee.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes the indicative regional allocations developed by the New Zealand Transport Agency for each transport activity class and the regionalised Government Policy Statement targets for Taranaki.

08/289

Dodunski/Maxwell

Councillor D N MacLeod and Mayor J Edwards (Stratford District Council) left the Regional Transport Committee meeting at 11.55am.

## **8. Road Safety Taranaki Strategy 2009-2012**

- 8.1 Ms K Mekalick, Community Development Manager South Taranaki District Council, spoke to the memorandum introducing the draft Road Safety Taranaki Strategy 2009-2012 (the Strategy). The South Taranaki District Council is responsible for administering and delivering the Community Road Safety Programme on behalf of Roadsafes Taranaki.
- 8.2 The Strategy was prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Land Transport Management Amendment Act 2008. It has been submitted into LTLF Online (NZTA's online funding application system) and will form part of the Regional Land Transport Programme for Taranaki.
- 8.3 Members discussed the draft Strategy noting that it did not clearly outline any evaluation mechanism of proposed programmes/services. The activities included in the Strategy will be considered through the Regional Land Transport Programme public consultation process as well as the district council's long-term council community plan process whereby further detail that will support the Strategy can be sought at that stage.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum and draft Road Safety Taranaki Strategy 2009-2012.

08/290

Maxwell/Lawson

## **9. Western Blue Highway Sea Freight funding application**

- 9.1 Mr R A Phillips, Director-Operations, spoke to the memorandum updating Members on the Port Taranaki application to the New Zealand Transport Agency for funding to undertake a feasibility study into a 'Western Blue Highway' sea freight proposal.
- 9.2 The Regional Transport Committee received the detail of the application for information purposes only noting that the Taranaki Regional Council is a 100% shareholder in Port Taranaki.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives this memorandum
2. notes the application prepared by Port Taranaki for funding assistance to undertake a feasibility study into a Blue Highway Sea Freight proposal sent to the New Zealand Transport Agency by the due date of 31 October 2008.

08/291

Jeffares/Geraghty

## **10. Update on the Normanby over-bridge realignment**

- 10.1 Mr E Christiansen, New Zealand Transport Agency, spoke to the memorandum updating Members on progress with the Normanby Over-bridge Realignment project.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the memorandum on the Normanby Over-bridge Realignment project.

08/292

Lawson/Jeffares

## **11. New Zealand Transport Agency – Senior Management Team**

- 11.1 Ms J Chetwynd, New Zealand Transport Agency spoke to the memorandum introducing the New Zealand Transport Agency's senior management team. Ms Chetwynd provided a brief outline of her recent appointment as Regional Director Central for the Agency and her work experience and qualifications.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives and notes the memorandum.

08/293

Maxwell/Hutchinson

## **12. New Plymouth to Hawera bus service**

- 12.1 Mr R A Phillips, Director-Operations, spoke to the memorandum providing feedback to the Committee on a suggested bus service from Hawera to New Plymouth.
- 12.2 It was noted that currently, commercial bus services are provided between Hawera and New Plymouth (via Stratford). A commercial operator withdrew its midday services due to low levels of patronage. At this point in time it is felt that no further action by Council Officers is warranted but the levels of service will be monitored through the commercial public transport registration process and as part of the Council's total bus review process in 2009.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. notes the information provided regarding existing Hawera to New Plymouth bus services.

08/294

Dodunski/Lawson

## **13. Proposed Meeting Dates for 2009**

- 13.1 The memorandum informing members of the meeting dates for the Regional Transport Committee proposed for 2009 was received and discussed.
- 13.2 The proposed meeting date of Thursday 18 June 2009 was changed to Tuesday 16 June 2009 to align better with key Regional Land Transport Programme timelines.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives and notes the meeting dates, as amended, for the Regional transport Committee proposed for 2009
2. agrees that a revised list of Regional Transport Committee workshop and meeting dates/times be circulated to Members.

08/295

Jeffares/Lawson

## **14. General Business**

### Taranaki Pioneer Village – State Highway 3 Stratford

Councillor B J Jeffares noted the traffic issues outside the Taranaki Pioneer Village, Stratford, due to an increase in the number of visitors. It was advised that the Pioneer Village Society begin preliminary discussions with the New Zealand Transport Agency (Jenny Chetwynd) to consider options for improvement.

Ministry of Transport – update

Ms E Shaw, Ministry of Transport, provided an update to the Committee on items of interest.

Road Safety Message

The Committee Chairperson, R F H Maxwell, expressed the need for the road safety message for the Christmas period to be reinforced.

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, Councillor R F H Maxwell, declared the Regional Transport Committee meeting closed at 12.35 pm.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**D N MacLeod**

**Date:** **9 December 2008**

Document: 543687

9 December 2008

**Memorandum to  
Chairperson and Members  
Taranaki Regional Council**

**Minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group**

**Purpose**

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to receive the confirmed minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Group Meeting held on Tuesday 9 September 2008.
2. The minutes were received and approved at the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 2 December 2008.
3. A copy of the minutes is attached to this memorandum for information.

**Recommendation**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives the confirmed minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting held on Tuesday 9 September 2008.

B G Chamberlain  
**Chief Executive**

**Minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting held in the Stratford District Council Chambers, Miranda Street, Stratford on Tuesday 9 September 2008 commencing at 10.30 am.**

<b>Present</b>		B R Jeffares A Matheson J D Edwards N Volzke G Lawson	(Taranaki Regional Council)(Chairperson) (New Plymouth District Council) (Stratford District Council) (Stratford District Council) (South Taranaki District Council)
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<b>In attendance</b>	Messrs	G K Bedford R A Phillips P Ledingham D L Lean J Sutton	(Taranaki Regional Council) (Taranaki Regional Council) (Taranaki Regional Council) (Regional Civil Defence Controller) (Lifelines Advisor)
	Mrs	K van Gameren	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Mrs	D Paulsen	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Mrs	L McLay	(Taranaki Group Recovery Facilitator)
	Mr	I Wilson	(Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management)

**Apologies** The apologies from Mayor P Tennent (New Plymouth District Council) and Mayor R Dunlop (South Taranaki District Council) were received and sustained.

**Notification of Late Items**

Item 5A – Report from the National Exercise Programme Meeting 21 August 2008  
Item 8A – Significant Activity Annual report – Emergency Management

**1. Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting - 10 June 2008

**Resolved**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 10 June 2008 at 10.35 am

2. adopts the recommendations therein.

Matheson/Edwards

### **Matters Arising**

#### Proposed submission to New Plymouth District Council: NPDC transport options report

It was noted that a revised submission was prepared that was reviewed and signed by the Group Chairperson, Councillor B R Jeffares, before being sent.

#### Update on the Mt Taranaki Eruption Exercise

It was advised that the Taranaki CDEM Group Exercise Billow will be held on 13 November 2008. Members of the Group requested briefing notes for information on Exercise Billow before the commencement of the exercise.

## **2. Minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group**

Minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group meetings:

Tuesday 27 May 2008; and  
Tuesday 19 August 2008 (Unconfirmed)

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the confirmed minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group meeting held on Tuesday 27 May 2008
2. notes the unconfirmed minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group meeting held on Tuesday 19 August 2008.

Lawson/Matheson

### **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **3. CDEM Advisory Group Minutes**

- 3.1 The memorandum providing unconfirmed minutes of the CDEM Welfare and Lifelines Advisory Groups for information of the Group was received.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Welfare Advisory Group meeting and the Lifelines Advisory Group meeting.

Jeffares/Edwards

#### **4. Introducing the Recovery Facilitator and Welfare and Lifelines Co-ordinators**

- 4.1 Group Chairperson, Councillor B R Jeffares, introduced and welcomed to the meeting Mrs Louise McLay (Taranaki Group Recovery Facilitator) and Mr John Sutton (Lifelines Advisor), who provided a brief verbal report to the meeting on their role and function within the Taranaki CDEM structure and organization.

##### **Recommended**

That the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the memorandum and reports from the Lifelines Advisor and Recovery Facilitator of the Taranaki CDEM Group.

Edwards/Jeffares

#### **5. The National Civil Defence Emergency Management Forum – Parliament Buildings 24 July 2008**

- 5.1 Mr D L Lean, Regional Civil Defence Controller, spoke to the memorandum updating Members on the attendance by himself and Group Chairperson, Councillor Brian Jeffares, at the National CDEM Forum hosted by the Minister of Civil Defence & Emergency Management the Hon. Rick Barker held in Wellington on 24 July 2008.

##### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the report of Mr David Lean and Councillor Brian Jeffares on their attendance at the National Civil Defence Emergency Management Forum which was held at Parliament Buildings, Wellington on 24 July 2008.

Jeffares/Lawson

#### **5A. Report from the National Exercise Programme Meeting 21 August 2008**

- 5A.1 Mr G K Bedford, Taranaki Regional Council, spoke to the memorandum informing members of the Taranaki CDEM Group of the outcome of the meeting of the National Exercise Programme Governance Group who meet annually to discuss CDEM exercises held in New Zealand and to plan future exercises.

- 5A.2 It was noted that the Taranaki CDEM Group will be involved in the international tsunami exercise in 2010 (minimal level of involvement) that will require a financial contribution in the Group's 2009/2010 and 2010/2011 financial years to participate.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. accepts the report on the meeting of the National Exercise Programme Governance Group.
2. considers the level of involvement in the National Exercise Programme.

Jeffares/Edwards

### **6. Flood Event 30 April 2008**

- 6.1 Mr R A Phillips, Taranaki Regional Council, provided a powerpoint presentation to the Group on the effects and consequences of the flood event of April 2008 highlighting the effects of the high intensity rainfall event on the Stony River and Kaihihi Stream resulting in Council river works being damaged, the Stony River Walkway damaged by bank erosion and aggradation and deposition causing that caused channel blockage, restriction and diversion.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the memorandum and presentation on the flood event of 29/30 April 2008.

Jeffares/Lawson

### **7. Management of land use in the Eastern hill country**

- 7.1 Mr G K Bedford, Taranaki Regional Council, spoke to the memorandum presenting the main findings of a report prepared for the Council by Landcare Research Limited on sustainable land-use monitoring in the eastern Taranaki hill country and coastal sand country.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the memorandum on implementation of sustainable land management in the eastern hill country
2. notes that the report represents activities and works that deliver obligations and activities identified in the 2004 CDEM Group Plan
3. notes that the information contained in the report referenced will be incorporated into the Taranaki Regional Council's *State of the Environment Report*, due for release later this calendar year.

Jeffares/Edwards

## **8. Annual activity report – river control and flood management**

- 8.1 The memorandum introducing to Members a report on the Taranaki Regional Council's activities with respect to river control and flood protection works in the 2007/2008 year was received and discussed.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the memorandum and annual report for 2007/2008 on river control and flood management
2. notes that the report represents activities and works that deliver obligations and activities identified in the 2004 CDEM Group Plan
3. notes that the report will be made available to key and interested stakeholders.

Lawson/Matheson

## **8A. Annual activity report – river control and flood management**

- 8A.1 The Group received and discussed the Taranaki Regional Council's annual emergency management activity report for the 2007/2008 year.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the memorandum and the emergency management annual report for 2007/2008.

Jeffares/Edwards

## **9. Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management Report**

- 9.1 Mr Wilson, Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management, provided an update to Members of the Group on matters of interest from the Ministry.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group

1. receives the report from the Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management Advisor.

Edwards/Matheson

## **11. General Business**

Mr I Wilson, Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management, advised the Group, for information, that a test of the Pacific tsunami warning system will be

conducted on 29 October 2008.

Next Meeting

Members noted that the next meeting of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group would be held on Tuesday 2 December 2008.

There being no further business, Chairperson Mr B R Jeffares (Taranaki Regional Council), declared the meeting of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Group closed at 11.15 am.

**Confirmed:**

**Chairperson:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**B R Jeffares**

**Date:**

**2 December 2008**

Document: 534017

9 December 2008

**Memorandum to  
Chairperson and Members  
Taranaki Regional Council**

**2009 Meeting Schedule  
Meeting Dates – February 2009**

**Purpose**

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to receive and adopt the 2009 Council meeting schedule and provide information on the six-weekly round of Council meetings scheduled for February 2009.

**2009 Meeting Schedule**

2. A meeting schedule for the following year is adopted at the Council's Ordinary Meeting in December each year.
3. The six-weekly round of meetings for February 2009, unless resolved otherwise, will be as follows:

Consents and Regulatory Committee	Tuesday 3 February 2009
Policy and Planning Committee	Thursday 5 February 2009
Regional Transport Committee	Thursday 12 February 2009*
<i>*meeting to be held at TEMO, New Plymouth</i>	
Executive Committee	Monday 16 February 2009
Ordinary Meeting	Tuesday 24 February 2009

**Recommendation**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

1. receives and adopts the 2009 meeting schedule, incorporating any amendments, and notes the meetings scheduled for February 2009.

Approved:

M J Nield  
Director – Corporate Services

B G Chamberlain  
Chief Executive

## 2009 Six-weekly Meeting Schedule

<b>February</b>	3	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents & Regulatory Committee
	5	Thursday	10.30 am	Policy & Planning Committee
	<b>6</b>	<b>Friday</b>		<b>Waitangi Day</b>
	12	Thursday	10.30 am	Regional Transport Committee* <i>meeting to be held at TEMO, New Plymouth (tbc)</i>
	16	Monday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
	24	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting
<b>March</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Monday</b>		<b>Taranaki Anniversary Day</b>
	10	Tuesday	10.30am	Civil Defence Emergency Management Group
	17	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents & Regulatory Committee
	19	Thursday	10.30 am	Policy & Planning Committee
	30	Monday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
<b>April</b>	7	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting
	<b>10</b>	<b>Friday</b>		<b>Good Friday</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>Monday</b>		<b>Easter Monday</b>
	<b>25</b>	<b>Saturday</b>		<b>ANZAC Day</b>
	28	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents and Regulatory Committee
	30	Thursday	10.30am	Policy and Planning Committee
<b>May</b>	11	Monday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
	11	Monday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting (LTCCP Hearing)
	14	Thursday	10.30 am	Regional Transport Committee*
	19	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting
<b>June</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Monday</b>		<b>Queens Birthday</b>
	9	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents and Regulatory Committee
	11	Thursday	10.30 am	Policy and Planning Committee
	16	Tuesday	10.30 am	Civil Defence Emergency Management Group
	16	Tuesday	1.00 pm	Regional Transport Committee*
	22	Monday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
	30	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting
<b>July</b>	21	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents and Regulatory Committee
	23	Thursday	10.30 am	Policy and Planning Committee
	<b>26 – 29</b>			<b>LGNZ Conference 2009 in Christchurch</b>
<b>August</b>	3	Monday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
	11	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting
	20	Thursday	10.30 am	Regional Transport Committee*
<b>September</b>	1	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents & Regulatory Committee
	3	Thursday	10.30 am	Policy & Planning Committee
	8	Tuesday	10.30 am	Civil Defence Emergency Management Group
	14	Monday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
	22	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting
<b>October</b>	13	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents and Regulatory Committee
	15	Thursday	10.30 am	Policy and Planning Committee
	<b>26</b>	<b>Monday</b>		<b>Labour Day</b>
	27	Tuesday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
<b>November</b>	3	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting
	17	Tuesday	10.30 am	Consents and Regulatory Committee
	19	Thursday	10.30 am	Policy and Planning Committee
	24	Tuesday	10.30 am	Civil Defence Emergency Management Group
	26	Thursday	10.30 am	Regional Transport Committee*
	30	Monday	10.00 am	Executive Committee
<b>December</b>	8	Tuesday	10.30 am	Ordinary Meeting

\*Regional Transport Committee meetings can be subject to change

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