

AGENDA Executive, Audit & Risk

Monday 12 September 2022, 10am



Executive, Audit & Risk Committee

12 September 2022 10:00 AM

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Purpose of Executive, Audit and Risk Committee

This committee handles all of the administrative and financial matters relating to Council's operations and works programme. Because these matters relate to all aspects of the Council, the membership is aimed to reflect the different aspects of Council's committee structure.

Responsibilities

Financial and expenditure Capital expenditure Work proposals and expenditure Corporate services and personnel matters Port Taranaki Ltd matters General Contractual and other matters.

Membership of Executive, Audit and Risk Committee

Councillor N W Walker (Chairperson)	Councillor M J Cloke
Councillor M P Joyce (ex officio)	Councillor D L Lean
Councillor C L Littlewood	Councillor M J McDonald
Councillor D N MacLeod (ex officio)	Mr B Robertson (Independent - Yarrow Stadium)

Health and Safety Message

Emergency Procedure

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Recommendations

That the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) <u>takes as read</u> and <u>confirms</u> the minutes and resolutions of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Monday 1 August 2022 at 10am
- b) <u>notes</u> the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 9 August 2022.

Matters arising

Appendices/Attachments

Document 3090965: Minutes Executive Audit and Risk Committee 1 August 2022

Taranaki Regional Council	MINUT Executiv	ES e, Audit & Ri	sk
Date	1 August 202	22, 10am	
Venue:	Taranaki Re	gional Council chamb	ers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
Document:	3090965		
Members	Councillors	D N MacLeod M J Cloke C L Littlewood M J McDonald M P Joyce	zoom ex officio zoom
Attending	Mr Ms Mr Miss Mr	M J Nield R Johnson C Woollin L Davidson T Parr	Director – Corporate Services Financial Services Manager Communications Advisor Executive Assistant Harbormaster (<i>part meeting</i>)

ApologiesApologies were received and sustained from Councillors N W
Walker (Committee Chairman), D L Lean and Mr B Robertson.

Due to the absence of Councillor N W Walker (Committee Chair) Councillor D N MacLeod chaired the meeting.

Notification of There were no late items. Late items

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 20 June 2022

Resolved

That the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) <u>takes as read</u> and <u>confirms</u> the minutes and resolutions of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on 20 June 2022 at 10am
- b) <u>notes</u> the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on 28 June 2022.

Cloke/McDonald

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2. Financial and Operational Report

2.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum receiving information on the operational and financial performance of the Council.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) <u>receives</u> the memorandum *Financial and Operational Report* and the *May* 2022 Monthly Financial Report
- b) <u>notes</u> the digital media update.

Joyce/Littlewood

3. Health and Safety Reporting

3.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider reports on health and safety performance.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

a) <u>receives</u> the June 2022 health and safety report.

MacLeod/McDonald

4. Public Transport Operational Update for the Quarter ending 30 June 2022

4.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to provide members with an operational report on pubic transport services for the quarter ending 30 June 2022.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

a) <u>receives</u> the memorandum *Public Transport Operational Report for the Quarter Ending 30 June 2022.*

Cloke/MacLeod

5. Transport policy work streams

- 5.1 Mr M J Nield, Director Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to update members on new and upcoming transport policy work streams.
- 5.2 Speed Management plan The RTC put in a strong submission opposing the regional council's role in speed management reviews as they are just the intermediary between the users and the TLA's.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) <u>receives</u> the memorandum titled *Transport policy work streams and resourcing*
- b) <u>notes</u> key existing transport work streams, including reviews of the *Regional Land Transport Plan*, the *Regional Public Transport Plan*, and the *Regional Walkways and Cycleways Strategy* and that these need to be viewed through a stronger climate change and decarbonisation lens
- c) <u>notes</u> the additional responsibility, and implications, of preparing and consulting on a regional speed management plan.

Cloke/McDonald

6. Report of the Port Taranaki Harbourmaster 2021/2022

- 6.1 Mr T Parr, Harbourmaster, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider the 2021/2022 Harbourmaster report.
- 6.2 Councillor D N MacLeod thanked Mr T Parr for his services noting that there has been some great work happening in the Harbourmaster space.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) <u>receives</u> the 2021/2022 Harbourmaster report
- b) <u>notes</u> the levels of service in the 2021-2031 Long-Term Plan have been met. Joyce/Cloke

7. Adoption of Statements of Intent

7.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to adopt the finalised statements of intent for the Taranaki Stadium Trust and Regional Software Holdings Limited.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) <u>adopts</u> the finalised 2022/2023 Statement of Intent for the Taranaki Stadium Trust.
- b) <u>adopts</u> the finalised 2022/2023 Statement of Intent for Regional Software Holdings Limited.

MacLeod/McDonald

8. Port Taranaki Ltd: Statement of Corporate Intent – 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2025

- 8.1 Mr M J Nield, Director Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and comment on Port Taranaki Ltd's draft Statement of Corporate Intent for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2025.
- 8.2 Councillors C L Littlewood and D N MacLeod declared a conflict of interest.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) <u>receives</u> Port Taranaki Ltd's draft Statement of Corporate Intent for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2025.
- b) <u>provides</u> any feedback to the Chief Executive on the content of the draft Statement of Corporate Intent.

Cloke/McDonald

9. Public Excluded - Executive, Audit & Risk Committee

In accordance with section 48(1) of the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*, resolves that the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee Meeting on Monday 20 June 2022 for the following reason/s:

Item 10 - Public Excluded Minutes - 20 June 2022

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 11 - Consideration of the 2021/2022 Annual Report

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 12 -Regional Software Holdings Limited Transition to the Regional Sector Shared Services Organisation

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Item 13 - Upgrade of Financial System

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information

would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 14 - Yarrow Stadium Plus: Project Steering Group Report

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Joyce/McDonald

There being no further business, the Committee Chairperson, Councillor N W Walker, declared the open meeting of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee closed at 10.35am.

Confirmed

Executive, Audit & Risk Chairperson: __

N W Walker

12 September 2022



Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to receive information on operational and financial performance.

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum Financial and Operational Report
- b) <u>notes</u> the digital media update.

Background

2. The Council produces a Monthly Financial Report outlining the financial performance for the month and year to date. This memorandum supports the Monthly Financial Report by providing additional supporting operational and financial information. The Common Seal is operated under delegated authority. Part of that delegated authority is the reporting back of the seal transactions.

Discussion

3. The focus of the new financial year has been the preparation and audit of the annual report. The July 2022 Monthly Financial Report will be presented to the next meeting of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee. There are no known financial issues for 2022/2023 to date.

Operational Report

4. It is early in the new operational year, but to date, programmes are materially on target with the planned levels of activity established for 2022/2023 in the 2022/2023 Annual *Plan*.

Communications and Engagement

- 5. Communications and engagement activities are delivered across publications, media releases, advertising, digital media and through education. Recent points of note are:
 - For the past six-week period, 23,100 users visited the Regional Council website and viewed just over 143,000 pages.
 - An eye-catching marketing campaign inviting nominations for the 2022 Environmental Awards. Nominations closed on 31 August, and the awards evening is scheduled for 15 November.
 - Media releases around the discovery of alligator weed in Waitara and wallabies in Mōkau, which were picked up by local media. There was also good engagement with supporting video and social media posts.
 - A monthly column in the name of Environment Services Steve Ellis in the North Midweek and South Taranaki Star continues, with the last two focused on topical biosecurity threats.
 - A series of positive media releases and social media focusing on progress at Yarrow Stadium, as we build up to the opening match on 3 September.
 - A media release on Mitch Graham, former Tūpare head gardener now working in the field for Towards Predator-Free Taranaki, leading to interview on More FM and interview request from the Daily News.
 - Heavy rain event/flooding on 19 August supporting TCDEM communications and monitoring with our rivers and hydro staff (see Facebook post below).

Social Media by the numbers

- 6. Social media continues to be an important communication channel for the Council:
 - From 14 July 25 August total reach (non-unique users) across eight Facebook pages was 147K.
 - Our Facebook page fans total 20,548 (non-unique) fans across eight pages.

Reach and engagement (by Facebook page) are detailed in the table below:	Page fans	Reach
Taranaki Regional Council	5,503 (+160)	69,432 (+26,922)
Taranaki Public Transport	1,639 (+57)	37,681 (+32,706)
Tūpare	2,003 (+21)	1,955
Pukeiti	3,041 (+188)	2,358
Hollard Gardens	2,397 (+20)	869
Towards Predator-Free Taranaki	1,629 (+7)	6,925
Yarrow Stadium	3,776 (+33)	25,914
Enviroschools	560 (+9)	1,834

Тор	Facebook posts	Reach	Engagement
1	Our policy "No Child Left Behind' is changing. PLEASE READ.		
	We've seen a significant increase in the number of passengers, especially students, boarding the bus without their fare (Bee Card or cash). The lost revenue has unfortunately become unsustainable and cannot continue.	15,381	172
	[Taranaki Public Transport] We're keeping a close eye on the Waitara River and other		
2	rivers after the massive amount of rain we've had. Our teams are out and about monitoring river levels and we're working closely with Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management and other agencies to check forecasts and river flows (video of Waitara River)	12,374	241
	[Taranaki Regional Council] Clelands Construction is shouting the public to 4,000 GA		
3	tickets to see the Yarrows Taranaki Bulls return home	11,610	188
	[Taranaki Regional Council/Yarrow Stadium]		
4	Let there be light! We've tested the new LED floodlights at Yarrow Stadium	8.162	142
	[Yarrow Stadium]		
5	We are concerned by the discovery of a wallaby at Taranaki's northern border	7,935	309
	[Taranaki Regional Council]		
6	Connector Announcement F Connector bookings are no longer essential (with the exception of hospital patients/ visitors) [Taranaki Public Transport]	7,327	127
7	We're loving these photos of Waitara East School on their epic Taranaki Mounga Field Trip! [Taranaki Regional Council]	5,141	224
8	July was wet, wet, wet! Dawson Falls had a whopping 1,418mm of rain in July (map)	4,340	62
	[Taranaki Regional Council]	1,040	02
9	CONNECTOR SERVICE ALERT - Tuesday 2nd August 2022 OFF-PEAK SERVICES CANCELLED Waka Kotahi will be completing high priority asphalt repairs at Tariki on TUESDAY 2nd August.	3.182	16

Тор	PFacebook posts	Reach	Engagement
	[Taranaki Public Transport]		
10	Alligator weed confirmed in Taranaki [Taranaki Regional Council]	3,081	560

Common Seal

7. There are no transactions executed under Common Seal to report.

Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan

8. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's adopted Long-Term Plan and estimates. Any financial information included in this memorandum has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

Policy considerations

9. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the policy documents and positions adopted by this Council under various legislative frameworks including, but not restricted to, the *Local Government Act 2002*, the *Resource Management Act 1991* and the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*.

lwi considerations

10. This memorandum and the associated recommendations are consistent with the Council's policy for the development of Māori capacity to contribute to decision-making processes (schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 2002*) as outlined in the adopted long-term plan and/or annual plan.

Community considerations

11. This memorandum and the associated recommendations have considered the views of the community, interested and affected parties and those views have been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

Legal considerations

12. This memorandum and the associated recommendations comply with the appropriate statutory requirements imposed upon the Council.



Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to receive and consider reports on health and safety performance.

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

a) receives the June 2022 health and safety report.

Discussion

- 2. The July 2022 health and safety report is attached.
- 3. As the COVID-19 case numbers are still significant in Taranaki, the Council has continued its response. The Council has had 10% of staff isolating as household contacts, or who are COVID positive during the months of July.
- 4. Council work has been categorised into Critical, Important and Business as Usual functions. No Critical, Important functions are yet to be impacted by COVID-19. Some Business as Usual functions are facing some pressure due to Officers isolating or being COVID-19 positive. The isolation timeframe decreasing from 10 to 7 days is assisting in this area.
- 5. As the country has moved from the Red to Orange settings, all protocols have been reviewed and amended where necessary.

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Appendices/Attachments

Document 3099815: July 2022 Health and Safety Dashboard



Health and Safety Dashboard Reporting Period:

Incidents (1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023)

Illness 0 (0)	Incidents 3 (3)	Injury 6 (6)					
ACC Claims 2 (2)	Near Miss 1 (1)	Notifiable 0 (0)					
Types of Insidents and Injuries							

Types of Incidents and Injuries

Slips/Trips/Falls (no injury)	1	No Treatment	
Sprains/Strains	5	First Aid	5
Cuts/Abrasions	1	Medical Centre	
Bruising		Physiotherapy/Osteopath	
Near Miss	1	Hospitalisation	1*
Vehicle Damage	1		
Insect Stings		Formal Investigation	
Other	1	WorkSafe Investigation	

* The staff member concerned thought they had sprained their ankle. After a doctor visit, they were referred to a specialist. They had ruptured their Achilles tendon, which required surgery to repair. This officer will be on a return to work plan for up to 12 months.



Incidents and Near Misses by Incident

Health and Wellbeing



Due to COVID-19, the Council is unable to complete monitoring of dust, chemical or asbestos exposure to our staff. 5 Return to Work plans are in place, only 1 is work-related.

Work in Progress

Employee Assistance Programme is being reviewed to ensure it meets the current and future needs of staff.



Critical events or have the potential to be critica	Critical	events	or have t	he pot	ential	to be	critical
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Event	Potential	Actual	Potential Controls to
	Consequence	Consequence	implement
Near Miss – iron bar	High	Low	Already implemented – wooden block installed on fence to ensure the bar is not lifted too high Potential control – replace the iron bar with a different locking mechanism



Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to inform members of the placement of the 2022/2023 insurance programme.

Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

a) <u>notes the renewal and placement of insurance policies for 2022/2023</u>.

Background

- 2. The Council insures itself against various risks. The insurance programme runs from 1 July to 30 June of each year. Prior to the completion of each insurance year, the Council reconfirms the risks it wishes to insure against and the levels of cover it wishes to retain.
- 3. The four Taranaki councils operate a shared service arrangement for the placement of the region's insurance needs. This acts as a bigger base to attract savings through economies of scale.

Discussion

- 4. The insurance programme is largely unchanged from previous years.
- 5. An increase in costs has resulted mainly from the current insurance market conditions and inflation. The largest increase has been in motor vehicle insurance costs due to the Taranaki council's claim performance during the 2021/2022 period along with the increase in the size of the fleet as the Council continues to grow.
- 6. The attached *Insurance Programme Schedule* outlines the full insurance programme for 2022/2023 including the coverage received, the insurance providers and costs.

Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan

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Community considerations

10. This memorandum and the associated recommendations have considered the views of the community, interested and affected parties and those views have been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

Legal considerations

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Appendices/Attachments

Document 3101893: 2022/2023 Insurance Programme Schedule

<u>Taranaki Regional Council</u> 2022/2023 Insurance Programme Schedule

Policy	Sum Insured	Insurer	Deductible	2022/23 Premiums	2021/22 Premiums
Material Damage (Commercial)	\$43,391,985	QBE (Lead Insurer)	\$100,000, except for Natural Disaster: property after 1935 (2.5% site value), property pre 1935 (10% site value)	\$87,139	\$80,483
Material Damage (Residential)	\$3,170,000	QBE (Lead Insurer)	\$5,000, except for Natural Disaster: property after 1935 (5% site value), property pre 1935 (10% site value)	\$6,087	\$5,863
Business Interruption (consequent to damage to property insured by the material damage policy)	Additional Costs: \$10,000,000 shared limit (all Taranaki Councils)	QBE (Lead Insurer)	Various	\$648	\$618
Motor Vehicle	\$2,810,100	NZI	\$1,000	\$44,450	\$31,653
Personal Accident	Elected Members: \$50K Executive Positions: \$100K	AIG	Nil	\$600	\$600
Crime Insurance	\$500,000	QBE	\$25,000	\$10,250	\$9,300
Employers Liability	\$1,000,000 shared limit (all Taranaki Councils)	Vero	\$2,500	\$910	\$820
Statutory Liability	\$5,000,000 shared limit (all Taranaki Councils)	Vero	\$25,000 or \$75,000 for claims in respect of the Resource Management Act 1991	\$6,930	\$6,300
Hall Hirers Liability	\$1,000,000	Vero	\$500	\$2,200	\$2,000
Travel Insurance	Various	AIG	\$250	\$512	\$462
Marine Hull	\$50,300	Vero	\$2,500	\$690	\$690

Policy	Sum Insured	Insurer	Deductible	2022/23 Premiums	2021/22 Premiums
Cyber Risk	\$1,000,000	NZI	\$25,000	\$11,900	\$8,710
Public Liability, Professional Indemnity, Harbourmasters and Wreck Removal	Public Liability/Professional Indemnity: \$300,000,000, Harbourmasters: \$20,000,000, Wreck Removal: \$5,000,000	London Insurance Market	Public Liability: \$5,000, Professional Indemnity: \$10,000, Harbourmasters/Wreck Removal: \$25,000	\$54,254	\$45,634
Environmental Impairment Liability	\$1,000,000	London Insurance Market	\$25,000	\$1,893	\$1,820

Executive, Audit & Risk Committee Public Excluded

In accordance with section 48(1) of the *Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987*, <u>resolves</u> that the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee Meeting on Monday 12 September 2022 for the following reason/s:

Item 6 - Public Excluded Minutes - 1 August 2022

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 7 - Port Taranaki Ltd: Annual Report and Annual General Meeting

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

Item 8 - Yarrow Stadium Plus: Project Steering Group Report

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information; and/or enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice, commercial activities.

Item 9 - National Ticketing System

That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information from the same source, and is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.