

Date 14 February 2022, 10am

Venue: Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford

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Members	Councillors	N W Walker	Committee Chairperson
		M J Cloke	<i>zoom</i>
		D L Lean	<i>zoom</i>
		C L Littlewood	<i>zoom</i>
		M J McDonald	<i>zoom</i>
		D N MacLeod	<i>ex officio zoom</i>
		M P Joyce	<i>ex officio</i>
Mr	B Robertson	<i>zoom</i>	
Attending	Mr	S Ruru	Chief Executive
	Mr	M J Nield	Director – Corporate Services
	Ms	R Johnson	Finance Manager
	Ms	J Paterson	<i>zoom</i>
	Ms	R Stokes	<i>zoom</i>
	Ms	K Holland	Communications Advisor <i>zoom</i>
	Miss	L Davidson	Executive Assistant
	Miss	R S Sweeney	Governance Administrator

Apologies There were no apologies.

Notification of

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 6 December 2021

Resolved

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

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten road, Stratford on 6 December 2021 at 10am
- b) notes the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 14 December 2021.

Joyce/Littlewood

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) receives the memorandum *Financial and Operational Report* and the November and December 2021 Monthly Financial Reports
- b) notes the digital media update
Walker/MacLeod

3. Health and Safety Report

- 3.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider the health and safety performance of the Council.
- 3.2 Copies of the Taranaki Regional Council COVID-19 vaccination policy and overall protocols for staff once finalised will be shared with councillors.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the November 2021 health and safety report
- b) receives the December 2021 health and safety report.
Clope/Littlewood

4. Quarterly Operational Report – December 2021

- 4.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to receive and consider the Quarterly Operational Report (QOR) for the quarter ended 31 December 2021.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and adopts the Quarterly Operational Report for the quarter ended 31 December 2021
Lean/McDonald

5. Public Transport Operational Update for the Quarter Ending 31 December 2021

- 5.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum to provide members with an operational report on public transport services for quarter ending 31 December 2021.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Public Transport Operational Report for the Quarter Ending 31 December 2021*.

Littlewood/McDonald

6. General Business

6.1 Update on Cyclone Dovi

- Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke about the two significant storms that have recently impacted Taranaki
- Councillor M J Cloke discussed that some of the flood damage could have been caused by the closeness of vegetation to culverts including but not limited to flax. Suggested that an assessment be undertaken to understand the impact. An additional comments was made about Riparian zones being affected by the floods and whether a consideration should be made about how close to the water planting is done
- Councillor M P Joyce requested that feedback be given to PowerCo on behalf of Rural Ratepayers in regards to unsatisfactory wait times on their 0800 numbers.

- 6.2 Te Uru Kahika, the Regional and Unitary Councils of Aotearoa New Zealand
Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to a news report on the new appointment of Dr Chris Daughney as the sectors inaugural Chief Science Officer.
<https://www.lgnz.co.nz/news-and-media/2022-media-releases/regional-and-unitary-councils-of-new-zealand-appoint-inaugural-chief-science-advisor/>

7. Public Excluded

In accordance with section 48(1) of the *Local Government 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 14 February 2022 for the following reasons:

Item 8 - Public Excluded Minutes – 6 December 2021

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 9 – Yarrow Stadium Update

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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 10.47am.

Confirmed

**Executive, Audit &
Risk Chairperson:** _____

N W Walker

28 March 2022