



# MINUTES Ordinary Meeting



**Date:** 1 April 2025

**Venue:** Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford

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**Present:**

C S Williamson	Chairperson
N W Walker	Deputy Chairperson
C L Littlewood	zoom
S W Hughes	
A L Jamieson	
M J Cloke	
D M Cram	
D L Lean	zoom
B J Bigham	zoom

**Attending:**

S Ruru	Chief Executive
M Nield	Director – Corporate Services
A Matthews	Director – Environmental Quality
A D McLay	Director – Resource Management
D Harrison	Director - Operations
N Chadwick	Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive and Chair
J Reader	Communications and Engagement Manager
C Woolin	Communications Adviser

The meeting opened with a group Karakia at 10.30am

**Apologies:** were received and sustained from Councillors Davey and McIntyre  
Williamson/Cloke

## 1. Confirmation of Ordinary Council Minutes – 18 February 2025

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) took as read and confirmed the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford 18 February 2025.

Williamson/Walker

## 2. Receipt of Operations and Regulatory Committee Minutes – 18 March 2025

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the minutes of the Operations and Regulatory Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 18 March 2025
- b) adopted the recommendations therein.

Hughes/Williamson

## 3. Receipt of Policy and Planning Committee Minutes – 18 March 2025

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the minutes of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 18 March 2025
- b) adopted the recommendations therein.

Williamson/Cram

## 4. Receipt of Executive Audit and Risk Committee Minutes – 24 March 2025

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the unconfirmed minutes of the Executive Audit and Risk Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten, Stratford on Monday 10 February 2025
- b) adopted the recommendations therein.

Williamson/Walker

## 5. Receipt of Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee Minutes – 6 March 2025

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- c) received the minutes of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Joint Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on 6 March 2025

Walker/Williamson

## 6. Receipt of Regional Transport Committee Minutes – 13 March 2025

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on 13 March 2025

Cloke/Jamieson

## 7. Receipt of Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee Minutes – 20 March 2025

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on 20 March 2025

Jamieson/Walker

## 8. Council Conduct Review

8.1 S Ruru outlined the Council Conduct Review Terms of Reference for consideration.

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the Council Conduct Review Terms of Reference Memorandum
- b) approved the Council Conduct Review Terms of Reference attached
- c) agreed to amend the terms of terms of reference to include explicit reference to relevant legislation and Council policy documents including:
  - Local Government Act 2002
  - Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987
  - Local Government (Members Interest) Act 1968
  - Te Atiawa Claims Settlement Act 2016
  - Ngāruahine Claims Settlement Act 2016
  - Taranaki Iwi Claims Settlement Act 2016
  - New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act 2018
  - Ngati Maru (Taranaki) Claims Settlement Act 2022

- Maniapoto Claims Settlement Act 2022
  - Taranaki Regional Council Long Term Plan 2024-2034 including its Mission Statement and Organisational Values
  - Taranaki Regional Council Code of Conduct 2022
  - Taranaki Regional Council Model Standing Orders 2022-2025
  - Taranaki Regional Council Local Governance Statement 2022-2025
- d) noted that the report produced as a part of the Council Conduct Review will be presented to a future Ordinary Council meeting to enable decisions to be made as to what, if anything, should be done with any recommendations that might be made by the review.
- e) determined that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- f) determined that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determined that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Williamson/Hughes

## 9. Adoption of revised Taranaki Regional Council Model Standing Orders 2022-2025

9.1 N Chadwick presented the revised Taranaki Regional Council Model Standing Orders for consideration.

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the adoption of revised Taranaki Regional Council Model Standing Orders 2022-2025 memorandum
- b) adopted the revised Taranaki Regional Council Model Standing Orders 2022-2025
- c) noted that the amendments will allow members to attend council or standing committee meetings by electronic link to be counted as a part of quorum in accordance with Clause 25A (4), Schedule 7, Local Government Act 2002, but members will still need to meet the conditions outlined in 12.10 and 12.11 of the Taranaki Regional Council Model Standing Orders 2022-2025
- d) determined that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- e) determined that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determined that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Jamieson/Hughes

## 10. Appointment of Policy and Planning Committee Chair and Deputy Chair

10.1 N Chadwick presented the revised Taranaki Regional Council Model Standing Orders for Council's consideration.

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received this report Appointment of Policy and Planning Committee Chair and Deputy Chair
- b) approved the appointment of Councillor Bigham as Chair and Councillor Cram as Deputy Chair of the Policy and Planning Committee
- c) approved the appointment of Councillor Bigham in her capacity as Chair of the Policy and Planning Committee to the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee
- d) determined that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- e) determined that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determined that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Cloke/Hughes

## 11. Appointment to the Taranaki Regional Passenger Transport Joint Committee

11.1 N Chadwick introduced the report seeking an appointment of a member from Council to the Taranaki Regional Passenger Transport Joint Committee.

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the memorandum Appointment to the Taranaki Regional Passenger Transport Joint Committee
- b) appointed Councillor Jamieson to the Taranaki Regional Passenger Transport Joint Committee
- c) determined that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- d) determined that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determined that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Hughes/Cram

## 12. Setting of Administrative Charges Pursuant to Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991

12.1 M Nield outlined the fixes that have been made to the 2025/2026 administrative charges pursuant to Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991 for Council's consideration.

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received and noted this memorandum to fix the 2025/2026 administrative charges pursuant to Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991
- b) adopted the statement of proposal to fix administrative charges pursuant to section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991 for 2025/2026
- c) noted and approved that a summary of the statement of proposal will not be prepared

- d) noted and approved the timetable for the completion of the special consultative procedure and the fixing of the schedule of administrative charges pursuant to Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991
- e) determined that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- f) determined that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determined that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Williamson/Walker

### 13. Update: Livestreaming Council meetings

13.1 J Reader updated Council on the livestreaming of council meetings.

#### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the report Update: Livestreaming Council meetings
- b) approved option 2- livestreaming and publishing meeting recordings
- c) determined that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002
- d) determined that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determined that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Cloke/Littlewood

### 14. Upcoming Meeting Dates for April- May 2025

#### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the memorandum Meeting Dates April- May 2025
- b) noted the Upcoming Meeting Dates.

Williamson/Cloke

### 15. Public Excluded

In accordance with section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, resolved that the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Ordinary Council Meeting on 18 February 2025 for the following reason/s:

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

Item 20:

Confirmation of Public Excluded Ordinary Council Minutes – 18 February 2025

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 for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 (a) and section 7 (2) (a) and (2) (g) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Item 21:

Confirmation of Public Excluded Operations and Regulatory Committee Minutes – 18 March 2025

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 for which good reason for withholding would exist In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, this is to be considered with the public excluded as the public conduct of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial.

Item 22:

Confirmation of Public Excluded Executive Audit and Risk Minutes – 24 March 2025

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.

Williamson/Cloke

There being no further business the Chairperson, C S Williamson, declared the meeting of the Ordinary Council meeting closed with a karakia at 11.09am.

Council Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

**C S Williamson**