

# **Ordinary Meeting**

Tuesday 1 October 2019  
10.30am

held at the Taranaki Regional Council  
chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford



**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 1 October 2019 commencing at 10.30am.**

<b>Councillors</b>	D N MacLeod	(Chairman)
	D L Lean	(Deputy Chairman)
	M J Cloke	
	M G Davey	
	M P Joyce	
	C L Littlewood	
	M J McDonald	
	D H McIntyre	
	B K Raine	
	N W Walker	
	C S Williamson	

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## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019

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



**Subject: Confirmation of Minutes – 13 August  
2019**

**Prepared by:** M J Nield, Director-Corporate Services

**Approved by:** B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2334566

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### Resolve

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms 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 13 August 2019 at 10.30am.

### Matters arising

#### Appendices

Document #2311583 – Minutes Ordinary Meeting

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the  
Taranaki Regional Council, held  
Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47  
Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 13  
August 2019 at 10.30am**



<b>Present</b>	Councillors	D N MacLeod	(Chairperson)
		D L Lean	(Deputy Chairperson)
		M J Cloke	
		M G Davey	
		M P Joyce	
		C L Littlewood	
		M J McDonald	
		D H McIntyre	
		B K Raine	
		N W Walker	
C S Williamson			
<b>Attending</b>	Messrs	B G Chamberlain	(Chief Executive)
		M J Nield	(Director-Corporate Services)
		A D McLay	(Director-Resource Management)
		G Severinsen	(Manager, Policy & Strategy)
		S Tamarapa	(Iwi Communications Officer)
		P Ledingham	(Communications Officer)
		Ms	J Mack
L Davidson	(Committee Administrator)		

One member of the press

**Apologies** There were no apologies.

**Notification of  
Late Items** LGNZ Conference and Pre-Tour

Mr M J Nield, Director-Corporate Services introduced the newly appointed Secretary/Committee Administrator, Liesl Davidson.

**1. Confirmation of Minutes - 2 July 2019**

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) takes as read and confirms 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 Monday 2 July 2019 at 10.30am.

MacLeod/Cloke

**Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

**2. Consents and Regulatory Committee Minutes - 23 July 2019**

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the 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 23 July 2019 at 9.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Joyce/McDonald

**Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

**3. Policy and Planning Committee Minutes - 23 July 2019**

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the 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 Tuesday 23 July 2019 at 10.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Walker/Littlewood

**Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

**4. Executive, Audit and Risk Committee Minutes - 5 August 2019**

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the minutes of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Monday 5 August 2019 at 10.00am.
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Lean/Cloke

## **Matters arising**

Mr M J Nield, Director-Corporate Services gave an update to Members on Item 5 of the minutes regarding Local Government Funding Agenda (LGFA) Accession and On-Lending of LGFA Funds.

### **5. Productivity Commission draft report: Local government funding and finance**

- 5.1 Mr G Severinsen, Manager Policy and Strategy, spoke to the memorandum to introduce, for Members' information, a draft report prepared by the New Zealand Productivity Commission (or Commission) entitled '*Local government funding and finance: Draft report*'.

#### **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the memorandum '*Productivity Commission draft report: Local government funding and finance*'; and
- b) agrees to rely on a sector wide submission through Local Government New Zealand, with input from this Council, if appropriate.

Lean/Williamson

### **6. Central Government Co-investment in river management for flood protection**

- 6.1 Mr B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive, spoke to the memorandum to introduce a report entitled '*Central government co-investment in river management for flood protection. Critical adaptation to climate change for a more resilient New Zealand*'.

#### **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum '*Central government co-investment in river management for flood protection*'.

Walker/Raine

### **7. Meeting Dates September/October 2019**

- 7.1 The next round of Council and joint committee meetings were received and noted.

### **8. Late Item - LGNZ Conference and Pre-Tour**

- 8.1 Councillor D McIntyre gave a brief update on the Councils' representatives' attendance at the recent Local Government New Zealand Conference and Regional Sector pre-conference tour in Wellington, and also congratulating the Council on winning the LGNZ Excellence Award for Environment Well-Being for our Riparian Management Programme.

## 9. Public Excluded

- 9.1 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 Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 13 August 2019 for the following reason/s:

### Item 10 - Confidential Ordinary Meeting Minutes

*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 - Confidential Consents and Regulatory Committee Minutes

*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 - Confidential Executive Audit and Risk Committee Minutes

*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 13 - Ngati Tama Treaty settlement negotiations

*That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings 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.*

Lean /MacLeod

There being no further business, Chairman D N MacLeod, declared the meeting of the Ordinary Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council closed at 11.28am.

**Confirmed**

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

**Date:** **1 October 2019**



## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019



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

**Subject: Consents and Regulatory Committee  
Minutes – 3 September 2019**

**Prepared by:** G K Bedford, Director-Environment Quality

**Approved by:** B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2334574

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### Resolve

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the 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 3 September 2019 at 9.30am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

### Matters arising

#### Appendices

Document #2321476 - Minutes Consents and Regulatory Committee Meeting

**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 3 September 2019 at 9.30am.**



<b>Members</b>	Councillors	M P Joyce M G Davey C L Littlewood M J McDonald B K Raine M J Cloke D L Lean D N MacLeod N Walker	(Committee Chairperson)      (ex officio) (ex officio)
<b>Representative Members</b>	Messrs	H Eriwata K Holswich F Mulligan	(Iwi Representative) (Iwi Representative) (Iwi Representative)
<b>Attending</b>	Mr  Ms Mr Ms  Mr	G K Bedford M Neild F McLay C McLellan L Davidson R Phipps H Gerrard S Carter A Johnson P Ledingham	(Director - Environment Quality) (Director - Corporate Services) (Director - Resource Management) (Consents Manager) (Committee Administrator) (Science Manager) (Science Manager) (Consents Officer) (Consents Officer) (Communications Advisor)
		Five members of the public and two members of the media, Radio New Zealand and Taranaki Daily News	
		Robin Martin, Radio New Zealand recorded the meeting.	
<b>Opening Karakia</b>		Mr H Eriwata, Iwi Representative, gave the opening Karakia for the Consents and Regulatory Committee.	
<b>Apologies</b>		No apologies were received.	
<b>Notification of Late Items</b>		Iwi representation following elections	

**1. Confirmation of Minutes - 23 July 2019**

### **Resolved**

THAT the Consents and Regulatory Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and confidential 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 23 July 2019 at 9.30am;
- b) notes that the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 13 August 2019.

Davey/Raine

### **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **2. Resource consents issued under delegated authority and applications in progress**

- 2.1 Mr A D McLay introduced Consents Officers Anna Johnson and Sophie Carter.
- 2.2 C McLellan spoke to the report discussed the memorandum advising of consents granted, consents under application and of consent processing actions since the last meeting of the Committee, including consultation and submissions.
- 2.3 The Committee considered and discussed the memorandum advising of consents granted, consents under application and of consent processing actions since the last meeting of the Committee.
- 2.4 Mr M P Joyce declared an interest in relation to consent R2/1976-3.1 Taranaki Community Rugby Trust.
- 2.5 Mr M Holswich acknowledged the Iwi involvement information now shown in the agenda but would like to see the comments provided by the Iwi on each consent be included in the schedule.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the schedule of resource consents granted and other consent processing actions, made under delegated authority.

Davey/Walker

## **3. Consent monitoring annual reports**

- 3.1 Mrs H Gerrard, Science Manager, spoke to the memorandum advising the Committee of seven tailored compliance monitoring reports that have been prepared since the last

meeting of the Committee, and the wastewater and stormwater Cabinet Paper, and answered questions arising.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the 19-13 Westown Haulage Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2018-2019 and adopts the specific recommendations therein;
- b) receives the 19-16 Taranaki Galvanizers Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2018-2019 and adopts the specific recommendations therein;
- c) receives the 19-19 Todd Energy Aquatic Centre Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2018-2019 and adopts the specific recommendations therein;
- d) receives the 19-21 Westside DWI Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2018-2019 and adopts the specific recommendations therein;
- e) receives the 19-23 Cheal Petroleum Ltd DWI Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2018-2019 and adopts the specific recommendations therein;
- f) receives the 19-24 ANZCO Foods Waitara Ltd Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2018-2019 and adopts the specific recommendations therein;
- g) receives the 19-27 STDC Coastal Structures Monitoring Programme Annual Report 2018-2019 and adopts the specific recommendations therein.

Joyce/Davey

## **4. Incident, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement Summary - 24 May 2019 to 30 June 2019**

- 4.1 Councillor M P Joyce declared an interest in item 4 (Incident, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement Summary 1 July 2019 to 15 August 2019) in relation to report 332120-022, Taranaki Community Rugby Trust. Councillor M P Joyce declared an interest in item 4 (Incident, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement Summary 1 July 2019 to 15 August 2019) in relation to report 332120-027, Molton partnership. Councillor C Littlewood and Councillor D N MacLeod declared an interest in item 4 (Incident, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement Summary 1 July 2019 to 15 August 2019) in relation to Port Taranaki Limited.
- 4.2 The Committee received and noted the summary of the Council's Incidents, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement for the period 1 July 2019 to 15 August 2019.
- 4.3 Mr B Pope, Compliance Manager, provided an overview to the Committee on the reported incidents and answered questions concerning officer assessments of the incidents.

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the memorandum
- b) receives the summary of the Incidents, Compliance Monitoring Non-compliances and Enforcement for the period from 1 July 2019 to 15 August 2019, notes the action taken by staff acting under delegated authority and adopts the recommendations therein.

Littlewood/Raine

**5. General Business**

- 5.1 Ms F Mulligan asked if Taranaki Regional Council would undertake an evaluation of Iwi representatives that have been on committees. Mr F McLay noted that Council had been having conversations with Iwi leaders and they were looking into a process for feedback.
- 5.2 Mr K Holswich thanked Taranaki Regional Council Councillors and Officers for the opportunity to represent Iwi at Council meetings and allowing robust discussions and learnings to occur.
- 5.3 The Chairperson MP Joyce thanked Iwi representatives for their contributions to committee decisions.

There being no further business, the Committee Chairperson Councillor M P Joyce, declared the public Consents and Regulatory Committee meeting closed at 10.42am.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson** \_\_\_\_\_  
**M P Joyce**

**Date** **19 November 2019**

## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019



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

**Subject: Policy and Planning Committee Minutes  
– 3 September 2019**

**Prepared by:** A D McLay, Director-Resource Management

**Approved by:** B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2334582

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### Resolve

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the 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 Tuesday 3 September 2019 at 10.50am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

### Matters arising

#### Appendices

Document #2321668 - Minutes Policy and Planning Committee Meeting

**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 Tuesday 3 September 2019 at 10.50am.**



<b>Members</b>	Councillors	N W Walker	(Committee Chairperson)
		M P Joyce	
		C L Littlewood	
		B K Raine	
		C S Williamson	
		D L Lean	(ex officio)
		D McIntyre	
		D MacLeod	
<b>Representative Members</b>	Councillors	G Boyde	(Stratford District Council)
		P Nixon	(South Taranaki District Council)
		R Jordan	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Messrs	P Muir	(Federated Farmers Representative)
	Ms	E Bailey	(Iwi Representative)
		M Ritai	(Iwi Representative)
<b>Attending</b>	Messrs	B G Chamberlain	(Chief Executive)
		G K Bedford	(Director-Environment Quality)
		M J Neild	(Director – Corporate Services)
		C L Spurdle	(Planning Manager)
		G Marcroft	(Policy Analyst)
		G Severinsen	(Manager Policy & Strategy)
		H Gerrard	(Science Manager)
		B Pope	(Compliance Manager) <i>Part meeting</i>
		R Phipps	(Science Manager)
		J Kitto	(Science Adviser)
		P Ledingham	(Communications Adviser)
		R Ritchie	(Communications Manager)
		Ms	L Davidson
	Mrs	J Bielski	(Policy Analyst) (left meeting 10.45am)
Mr	J Clough	(Wrightson Consulting)	

Two members of the media, Taranaki Daily News and Radio New Zealand and eight members of the public.

Robin Martin, Radio New Zealand recorded the meeting.

**Apologies** No apologies received

## Notification of

### Late Items

There were no late items of business.

## 1. Confirmation of Minutes – 23 July 2019

### Resolved

THAT the Policy and Planning Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) takes as read and confirms the 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 Tuesday 23 July 2019 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on 13 August 2019.

Raine/Bailey

### Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

## 2. Government announcements on three waters review

- 2.1 Mr G Severinsen, Manager Policy and Strategy, spoke to the memorandum to update Members on recent announcements by the Government on the Three Waters Review and answered a number of questions arising.

### Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum 'Government announcements on three waters review'.

Boyde/Littlewood

## 3. PEPANZ publication; Powering to 2050: A vision for natural gas in New Zealand

- 3.1 Mr A D McLay, Manager Policy and Strategy, spoke to the memorandum to introduce a publication by the Petroleum Exploration and Production Association of New Zealand (PEPANZ) entitled 'Powering to 2050: A vision for natural gas in New Zealand'.

### Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum 'PEPANZ publication: Powering to 2050: A vision for natural gas in New Zealand'; and
- b) notes the Taranaki region's natural gas resources have a role in the transition to a low emissions economy.

Littlewood/Williamson



Following discussions Ms E Bailey put a motion to the Committee that recommendation (b) be removed or modified.

Bailey/Ritai

Motion Lost.

#### **4. Update on climate change policy announcements**

- 4.1 Mr G Severinsen, Manager Policy and Strategy, spoke to the memorandum to update Members on recent climate change policy announcements by the Government.

##### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum 'Update on climate change policy announcements'.  
McLeod/Nixon

#### **5. Regional freshwater recreational bathing water quality report for 2018-2019**

- 5.1 Mr G Bedford, Director - Environment Quality, spoke to the memorandum to update the Committee on the 2018-2019 bathing season results from the 'state of the environment' programme that monitors freshwater contact recreational water quality.

- 5.2 A minor correction was made to Technical Report 2019-01 recommendations concerning a date.

- 5.3 In response to questions from Ms Bailey it was noted the report presents the results of sampling during low flow periods, when people may be bathing and at weekly intervals, no matter what the flow conditions.

##### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum noting the preparation of the report Freshwater Contact Recreational Water Quality at selected Taranaki sites SEM Monitoring Report 2018-2019, Technical Report 2019-01; and
- b) adopts the specific recommendations presented in Technical Report 2019-01.

Joyce/Boyde

#### **6. Bathing beach recreational water quality SEM report 2018-2019**

- 6.1 Mr G Bedford, Director - Environment Quality, spoke to the memorandum presenting Members the report on the quality of coastal bathing waters in the Taranaki region during the 2018-2019 bathing season.

##### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum noting the preparation of the report Bathing Beach Water Quality State of the Environment Monitoring Report Summer 2018-2019 Technical Report 2019-36 and
- b) adopts the specific recommendations presented in Technical Report 2019-36.

Raine/Littlewood

## **7. Submission on protecting Hector's and Māui dolphins**

- 1.1 Mr C Spurdle, Planning Manager, spoke to the memorandum to introduce the submission on the discussion paper Proposals for the Hector's and Māui Dolphin Threat Management Plan and to recommend its endorsement by the Council.
- 7.2 It was noted the deadline for submissions was 19 August 2019. The submission reflects Council policies and a previous submission on threats to Hector's and Māui dolphins.
- 7.3 Feedback from the Committee to the Department of Conservation will be provided noting that there should be an increase in consultation with Iwi throughout the process.

### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum Submission on protecting Hector's and Māui dolphins; and
- b) endorses the submission with any changes recommended by the Committee.

Williamson/Boyde

## **8. Coastal Occupation Charges**

- 8.1 Mr C Spurdle, Planning Manager, spoke to the memorandum to seek Members' agreement that the Taranaki Regional Council (the Council) not charge for the occupation of coastal space in the coastal marine area (CMA).
- 8.2 Councillor C Littlewood and Councillor D N MacLeod declared an interest in relation to Port Taranaki.
- 8.3 The item was discussed in the context of some examples provided by Ms Bailey and Mr Ritai regarding private and public benefit.

### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum entitled Coastal Occupation Charges;
- b) notes that in Taranaki there is a low number of occupation consents in the CMA, the extent to impact on public access is only minor, and consent conditions have generally been applied allowing free public access except where it is a matter of public safety; and
- c) agrees that the Council forego charging for occupation of coastal space in the CMA.

Joyce/Boyde

## **9. Approval of Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki**

- 9.1 Mr C Spurdle, Planning Manager and Ms G Marcroft, Policy Analyst, provided a power point presentation on the Proposed Coastal Plan for Members' consideration. For consideration were the Hearing Panel's report and recommendations and the Section 32AA report on the Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki.
- 9.2 The high level of public engagement and iwi consultation on the plan was noted together with the officers' extensive prehearing engagement with submitters to resolve matters.
- 9.3 Chairperson N W Walker thanked the Hearing Panel members and Council officers for all the positive work that had been undertaken on the Coastal Plan for Taranaki.

### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum, the Hearing Panel's report, the track change version showing recommended changes to the Proposed Coastal Plan, and the Section 32AA Report;
- b) considers the Section 32AA Evaluation Report and confirms that the Council is satisfied that any changes to the policies, rules and methods set out in the Proposed Plan are the most appropriate way to achieve the objectives of the Plan;
- c) adopts the recommendations set out in the Hearing Panel's report in relation to changes to the Proposed Coastal Plan; and
- d) notes that following the Council, at its meeting on 1 October, making its decisions on the Proposed Coastal Plan, a decisions document will be made available to all submitters and submitters have 30 working days from service of the Council's decisions to appeal to the Environment Court against the Council's decisions should they wish.

Littlewood/Bailey

## **10. Discussion document: Proposed National Policy Statement on Highly Productive Land**

- 10.1 Mr G Severinsen, Manager Policy and Strategy, spoke to the memorandum to introduce a discussion document on a proposed National Policy Statement on Highly Productive

Land and to recommend that the Council makes a submission on the discussion document.

**Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum 'Discussion document: Proposed National Policy Statement on Highly Productive Land'; and
- b) agrees to make a submission on the document including matters agreed by the Committee.

Williamson/Littlewood

**11. General Business**

- 11.1 Chairperson N W Walker thanked all members and Iwi representatives for their contributions to the Policy and Planning committee meetings over the last three years and wished Councillors seeking re election all the best.
- 11.2 Iwi representative Mr M Ritai thanked Taranaki Regional Councillors and officers for the opportunity to represent Iwi at Council meetings and allowing some robust discussions to occur and learnings to be had.

**Closing Karakia** Mr M Ritai (Iwi Representative) gave the closing Karakia to the Policy and Planning Committee and Karakia for kai (lunch).

There being no further business, the Committee Chairperson Councillor N W Walker, declared the meeting of the Policy and Planning Committee meeting closed at 12.48pm.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson** \_\_\_\_\_  
N W Walker

**Date** 19 November 2019

## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 Ordinary 2019



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

**Subject: Regional Transport Committee Minutes  
– 11 September 2019**

**Prepared by:** M J Nield, Director-Corporate Services

**Approved by:** B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2335600

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### Resolve

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the 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 11 September 2019 at 11.00am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

### Matters arising

#### Appendices

Document #2328960 – Minutes Regional Transport Committee

**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 11 September 2019 commencing at  
11.00am.**



<b>Members</b>	Councillor	C S Williamson	(Committee Chairperson)
	Councillor	M J McDonald	(Committee Deputy Chairperson)
	Councillor	T Cloke	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Mayor	N Volzke	(Stratford District Council)
	Mayor	R Dunlop	(South Taranaki District Council)
	Councillor	H Duynhoven	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Mr	R I Anson	(NZ Transport Agency)
<b>Attending</b>	Messrs	M J Nield	(Director-Corporate Services)
		C B Clarke	(Transport Services Manager)
		C G Severinsen	(Policy Manager)
	Mrs	F Ritson	(Policy Analyst)
	Ms	L Davidson	(Committee Administrator)
	Messrs	S Bowden	(Stratford District Council)
		V Lim	(South Taranaki District Council)
		R Leitaio	(New Plymouth District Council)
		K Munisamy	(New Plymouth District Council)
		D Perry	(NZ Transport Agency)
	Ms	J Stewart	(NZ Transport Agency)
	Messrs	Chris Nally	(NZ Transport Agency) <i>Part meeting</i>
		Angus McGrath	(NZ Transport Agency)
		K Simpson	(Ministry of Transport)
		D Langford	(New Plymouth District Council)
	G Mitchell	(Crown Infrastructures)	

**Apologies** No apologies were received.

**Notification of  
Late Items**

Item 9 - Request to Vary the Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21 was added to the agenda on Tuesday 10 September.

**1. Confirmation of Minutes - 12 June 2019**

**Resolved**

THAT the Regional Transport Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) 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 Wednesday 12 June 2019 at 11.00am.
- b) notes that recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on 2 July 2019.

Dunlop/I'Anson

### **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **2. Minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Advisory Group – 21 August 2019**

- 2.1 The minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Advisory Group (RTAG) meeting held on 21 August 2019 were received and noted.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Advisory Group meeting held on Wednesday 21 August 2019.

Volzke/Dunlop

## **3. Submission on the National Road Safety Strategy 2020-2030**

- 3.1 Mr M J Neild, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum seeking formal endorsement of the regional submission on the draft 2020-2030 National Road Safety Strategy: Road to Zero, which was previously circulated by email to allow the Committee's consideration prior to the submission closing date and answered questions arising.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the memorandum, Submission on the National Road Safety Strategy 2020-2030
- b) adopts the submission on the 2020-2030 National Road Safety Strategy: Road to Zero

I'Anson/Duynhoven

## **4. Request to vary the Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21**

- 4.1 Kevin Munisamy, New Plymouth District Council, gave a presentation seeking Council approval of a request to vary the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21* and answered questions arising.

**Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum, Request to vary the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21*
- b) agrees to the requested variation to the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Midterm Review 2018/19-2020/21*, made by the New Plymouth District Council and NZ Transport Agency, to add a new project 'Ahititi Stock Effluent and Pre-Treatment Facility Upgrade'.
- c) adopts this variation to the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21* and forwards it on to the NZ Transport Agency.

Williamson/McDonald

**5. Connectivity update from Crown Infrastructure Partners**

- 5.1 Graham Mitchell, CEO Crown Infrastructure, gave a presentation updating members on Connectivity Programmes throughout the region, with particular focus on the Mobile Black Spot Fund and answered questions arising.

**Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives with thanks the presentation provided by Crown Infrastructure Partners on their Connectivity Programmes including the Mobile Black Spot Fund.

Duynhoven/Dunlop

**6. Ministry of Transport updates**

- 6.1 Karl Simpson, Director – Regulatory and Data, Ministry of Transport, gave a presentation updating Members on key work programmes, including development of the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS) 2021 and National Road Safety Strategy (NRSS) 2020-30: Road to Zero and answered questions arising.

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives with thanks the presentation provided by the Ministry of Transport on current key workstreams.

Williamson/Volzke



**7. NZ Transport Agency regional report and state highway project updates**

- 7.1 Mr R I'Anson, Angus McGarth and Chris Nally, NZ Transport Agency, gave a presentation updating members on Agency activities, including state highway projects of significance to the region and answered questions arising.

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives and notes the Regional Report from the NZ Transport Agency dated 11 September 2019
- b) receives the presentation update from the NZ Transport Agency on the SH3 New Plymouth to Hawera project
- c) receives the presentation update from the Mt Messenger Alliance on the SH3 Mt Messenger Bypass project.
- d) receives the presentation update from the NZ Transport Agency on the SH3 Waitara to Bell Block project.

Williamson/Dunlop

**8. Safe Network Programme**

- 8.1 Junine Stewart, Area Programme Manager for the Safe Network Programme, NZ Transport Agency, gave a presentation updating the Committee on the Safe Network Programme and answered questions arising.

**Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the presentation from the NZ Transport Agency on the Safe Network Programme.

Duynhoven/Dunlop

**9. Request to vary the Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21**

- 9.1 Mr M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services, spoke to the memorandum seeking Council approval of a request to vary the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21*.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the memorandum, Request to vary the Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21
- b) agrees to the requested variation to the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Midterm Review 2018/19-2020/21*, made by the NZ Transport Agency, to add a new project 'Taranaki State Highway Speed Management Guide Implementation'
- c) adopts this variation to the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki: Mid-term Review 2018/19-2020/21* and forwards it on to the NZ Transport Agency.

Williamson/Volzke

### **10. Public transport operational update for the quarter and year ending 30 June 2019**

- 10.1 Mr C Clarke, Transport Services Manager, provided members with an update on public transport services for the quarter and year ending 30 June 2019 and answered questions arising.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives and notes the operational report of the public transport services for the quarter and year ending 30 June 2019.

I Anson/Dunlop

### **11. Correspondence and information items**

- 11.1 The memorandum updating Members on correspondence and information received since the last Committee meeting was noted.

### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and notes for information purposes the update provided on the State Highway 43 Improvement Project including the release of the *State Highway 43: The Forgotten World Highway Detailed Business Case*
- b) receives and notes for information purposes the update provided on KiwiRail regional projects
- c) notes that the next meeting of the State Highway 3 Working Party will be held in Mōkau on Friday 20 September.

Williamson/McDonald

- 11.2 Chairperson Mr C S Williamson thanked members for their participation over last three years and noted a special thanks to Mayor R Dunlop for his work on the committee and wished him well for the future.

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, Councillor C S Williamson, declared the Regional Transport Committee meeting closed at 1.21pm.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson** \_\_\_\_\_  
**C S Williamson**

**Date** **27 November 2019**

## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019



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

**Subject: Executive, Audit and Risk Committee  
Minutes – 16 September 2019**

**Prepared by:** M J Nield, Director-Corporate Services

**Approved by:** B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2334586

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### Resolve

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the minutes of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Monday 16 September 2019 at 10.00am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

### Matters arising

#### Appendices

Document #2331474 - Minutes Executive, Audit and Risk Committee

**Minutes of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee Meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council, held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Monday 16 September 2019 at 10.00am.**



<b>Members</b>	Councillors	D L Lean M J Cloke N W Walker C S Williamson	(Committee Chairperson)
<b>Attending</b>	Messrs	B G Chamberlain M J Nield S Hall C Clarke	(Chief Executive) (Director - Corporate Services) (Director - Operations) (Transport Services Manager) <i>Part meeting</i>
	Ms	R Johnson	(Financial Services Manager)
	Ms	L Davidson	(Committee Administrator)
	Mr	P Ledingham	(Communications Adviser)
<b>Apologies</b>		Apologies were received from Councillors D N MacLeod, M P Joyce. Lean/Walker	
<b>Notification of Late Items</b>		There were no late items of business.	

**1. Confirmation of Minutes - 5 August 2019**

**Resolved**

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

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Monday 5 August 2019 at 10.00am
- b) notes the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on 13 August 2019.

Lean/Cloke

**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 informing members on the operational and financial performance of Council.
- 2.2 Councillor N W Walker raised concerns from a farmer around Taranaki Regional Council staff entering farms without farmers knowing. It was clarified that staff are permitted to enter farms and are aware of the location of hazard boards on site so they can check them when they arrive. He also raised an issue of staff safety around effluent ponds Mr M J Nield noted that staff are trained accordingly for the job they are employed to do and will follow up with Health and Safety regarding effluent ponds.

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum;
- b) notes the Regional Integrated Ticketing System update;
- c) notes the digital media report; and
- d) notes the health and safety report.

Williamson/Cloke

## **3. Regional Public Transport Plan discussion document**

- 3.2 Mr C Clarke, Transport Services Manager, spoke to the memorandum to informing members of the Discussion Document for the review of the Regional Public Transport Plan 2019-2029 (RPTP).

### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives and endorses the Discussion Document for the review of the Regional Public Transport Plan 2019-2029 for consultation with stakeholders.

Lean/Walker

## **4. South Taranaki and Regional Erosion Support Scheme (STRESS-3) renewal**

- 4.1 Mr S Hall, Director – Operations, spoke to the memorandum updating members on its participation in the government’s hill country erosion fund for a further four years.
- 4.2 It was clarified that Council would require two additional staff in the 2020/2021 financial year. This is covered by the funding received and not rates funded.

## Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this report on participation in STRESS-3 for a further four years; and
- b) notes that a signed contract with the government is now in place and that STRESS-3 is operational.

Walker/Cloke

## 5. Public Excluded

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 24 June 2019 for the following reason/s:

### Item 6- Confirmation of Confidential Minutes

*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 - Accommodation Review

*That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to members or officers or employees of any local authority, and maintain legal professional privilege.*

### Item 8 – Consideration of the 2018/2019 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.*

Cloke/Lean

There being no further business, the Committee Chairperson, D L Lean, declared the open meeting of the Executive, Audit and Risk Committee closed at 10.22am.

## Confirmed

Committee Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

D L Lean

Date:

2 December 2019

## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019



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

**Subject: Joint Committee Minutes**

**Prepared by:** G K Bedford, Director-Environment Quality

**Approved by:** B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2282211

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### Purpose

1. The purpose of the memorandum is to receive for information the minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 22 August 2019, the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Coordinating Executive Group (CEG) meeting held on Thursday 15 August 2019, and the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee meeting held on Tuesday 17 September 2019.

### Executive summary

2. The Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee and Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee are Joint Committees between the Taranaki Regional Council and the three district councils of Taranaki.
3. The Local Government Act (Schedule 7, clause 30(8)) states that a joint committee is deemed to be both a committee of the local authority and a committee of the other local authority or public body.
4. Each council will therefore been given the minutes of the joint committee meetings for their receipt and information.

### Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 22 August 2019
- b) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Coordinating Executive Group (CEG) meeting held on Thursday 15 August 2019
- c) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee meeting held on Tuesday 17 September 2019.



### **Decision-making considerations**

5. Part 6 (Planning, decision-making and accountability) of the *Local Government Act 2002* has been considered and documented in the preparation of this agenda item. The recommendations made in this item comply with the decision-making obligations of the *Act*.

### **Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan**

6. 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**

7. 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*.

### **Iwi considerations**

8. 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. Similarly, iwi involvement in adopted work programmes has been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

### **Legal considerations**

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

### **Appendices/Attachments**

Document 2315755: Minutes Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee

Document 2312512: Minutes Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee

Document 2331666: Minutes Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee

**Minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee held at the NPDC, Materials Recovery Facility, Colson Road Landfill, New Plymouth, on Thursday 22 August commencing at 10.35am.**



<b>Members</b>	Councillors	N Walker	(Chairperson, Taranaki Regional Council)
		A Jamieson	(Stratford District Council)
		B Roach	(South Taranaki District Council)
		M Chong	(New Plymouth District Council)
		R Handley	(New Plymouth District Council)
<b>Attending</b>	Councillor	D McIntyre	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Mr	G Bedford	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Mrs	H Gerrard	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Ms	J Mack	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Mrs	K Hope	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Mr	D Miller	(South Taranaki District Council)
	Mrs	V Araba	(Stratford District Council)
	Ms	L Campbell	(Stratford District Council)
	Ms	M Jensen	(EnviroWaste)
<b>Apologies</b>	Mr	D Langford	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Ms	H Lock-Ingman	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Mr	H Denton	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Mr	M Oien	(Stratford District Council)
	Ms	V Moyle	(Hawera District Council)
	Mr	R Simeon	(EnviroWaste)

**Notification of**

**Late Items** Addendum to item 6 on coastal dump sites in Taranaki

**1. Minutes Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee – 30 May 2019**

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Thursday 30 May 2019 at 10.45am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Thursday 30 May 2019 at 10.45am, have been circulated to the Taranaki Regional Council, New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.

Jamieson/Walker

## **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **2. Regional Waste Minimisation Officer's Report**

- 2.1 Mrs K Hope, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum on significant activities undertaken by the RMO in collaboration with the district council officers, waste minimisation activities in the wider community and other matters of potential interest to the Committee.

### **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee

- a) receives the memorandum *Regional Waste Minimisation Officer's Report* and notes the activities of the Regional Waste Minimisation Officer.

Handley/Jamieson

## **3. Submission on: Proposed priority products and priority product stewardship scheme guidelines**

- 3.1 Mrs K Hope, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum advising Members that the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) has released a consultation document, "*Proposed priority products and priority product stewardship scheme guidelines*". Submissions are presently open and close at 5 pm on 4 October 2019.

### **Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee

- a) receives this memorandum
- b) instructs officers to prepare a draft submission on a discussion document, *Proposed priority products and priority product stewardship scheme guidelines*, for circulation and confirmation prior to submission, and provides guidance at today's meeting as to the nature of the submission.

Chong/Walker

## **4. Regional Annual Education Plan**

- 4.1 Mrs K Hope, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum to present the 2019/2020 annual regional education strategy (the strategy) to the Committee. The strategy is written and agreed upon annually by all three district councils in Taranaki as agreed in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plans. It covers waste minimisation

related activities and campaigns in the three sectors; community, business and schools. The councils each distribute waste levy funds to support some of the initiatives outlined in the strategy.

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee

- a) receives the memorandum *Regional Annual Education Plan* and notes the planned activities to be carried out by each of the three district councils in Taranaki.

Roach/Jamieson

**5. Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Annual KPI Summary**

- 5.1 Mrs K Hope, New Plymouth District Council, gave an overview of the annual data and established how each district is tracking towards its five-year targets outlined in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP). Previous data used to develop the WMMPs will provide a comparison and help to measure progress.

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee

- a) receives the memorandum *Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Annual KPI Summary, August 2019* and notes the performance of the three District Councils.

Walker/Roach

**6. Taranaki Regional Council waste minimisation and management activities in 2018/19**

- 6.1 Mrs H Gerrard, Taranaki Regional Council, spoke to the memorandum updating the Committee on a selection of the Taranaki Regional Council's activities relating to solid waste management during 2018/19 and spoke to the handout late item regarding historical coastal dump sites in Taranaki.

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee

- a) receives this memorandum and notes the waste management activities of the Taranaki Regional Council.

Handley/Jamieson

**7. NPDC Kerbside Collection**

- 7.1 Mrs K Hope, New Plymouth District Council, provided the Committee with an update on the New Plymouth District Council Kerbside collection.

**8. EnviroWaste - Regional Solid Waste Services Contract Update**

- 8.1 Ms M Jensen, EnviroWaste, provided the Committee with an update on the Regional Solid Waste Services Contract.

There being no further business, Committee Chairperson, Councillor N Walker (Taranaki Regional Council) declared the meeting of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee closed at 12.10pm.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson** \_\_\_\_\_  
**N W Walker**

**Date** **21 November 2019**



**Minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence  
Emergency Management Co-ordinating  
Executive Group (CEG) meeting held at the  
Taranaki Regional Council office, 47 Cloten  
Road, Stratford, on Thursday 15 August 2019  
commencing at 10.30am.**

<b>Members</b>	Mr	S Hanne	(Chairperson) (Stratford District Council)	
	Mr	G K Bedford	(Taranaki Regional Council)	
	Mr	W Crockett	(South Taranaki District Council)	
	Mr	D Langford	(Risk Reduction Advisory Group)	
	Mr	D Utumapu	(Fire and Emergency New Zealand)	
	Mr	C Campbell-Smart	(Taranaki CDEM Group Controller) (Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager)	
	Mr	M Parkinson	(Taranaki CDEM Recovery Manager)	
	Mr	J Clough	(Primary Industry Sector Group)	
	Dr	G Simmons	(Taranaki District Health Board)	
	Dr	B Scott	(Taranaki Seismic & Volcanic Advisory Group)	
	Mr	I Wilson	(Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management)	
		G Roper	(Police North Taranaki Response Manager)	
	<b>Attending</b>	Ms	N Ord	(CDEM Resilience and Group Welfare Manager/ Welfare Coordination Group)
		Ms	T Gordon	(CDEM Analyst)
Mr		K Wright	(New Plymouth District Council)	
Mr		B Ingram	(New Plymouth District Council)	
Mr		C Williamson	(New Plymouth District Council)	
Ms		L Davidson	(Committee Secretary)	
<b>Apologies</b>	Mr	C Stevenson	(New Plymouth District Council)	
	Mr	R Blume	(St John Ambulance)	

**Notification of  
Late Items**

ECC Development Project update – flat pitch roof issue

## 1. Confirmation of Minutes – 23 May 2019

### Resolved

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and recommendations of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Thursday 23 May 2019 at 10.30am.  
Crockett/Parkinson

### Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

## 2. Minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee

### Resolved

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee held on Tuesday 18 June 2019.  
Crockett/Utumapu

It was noted that the agencies update was discussed under the Quarter 3 performance report and Mr C Campbell-Smart is looking into how this can be best delivered.

## 3. Taranaki CDEM Advisory Group Minutes

### Resolved

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Lifelines Advisory Group (LAG) held on 26 June 2019
- b) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Welfare Coordination Group (WCG) held on 3 July 2019
- c) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Primary Industries Sector Group (PISG) held on 8 July 2019  
Langford/Ord

### Matters Arising

It was noted that the Taranaki CDEM Group Conference has been confirmed for Wednesday 27 November, Mr C Campbell-Smart will send a calendar invite.

#### 4. Year-End Performance Report 2019

- 4.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to memorandum presenting the 2018/19 Year End Performance Report for the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.

##### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the memorandum, *Year End Performance Report 2018/19*
- b) endorses the report of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee  
Wright/Bedford

#### 5. Statutory Role Appointments and Resignations

- 5.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum outlining the appointment of Mr Callum Williamson to the role of Local Recovery Manager for New Plymouth District Council by the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Group and acknowledged resignations from statutory roles for South Taranaki District Council.
- 5.2 Correction to the report – Mr Doug Scott has resigned from STDC so therefore has resigned from his statutory role. The Chairman, Mr S Hanne, will send a letter of thanks be sent to Mr Doug Scott and Ms Phillippa Wilson for their contribution.

##### **Recommended**

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the report *Statutory Role Appointments and Resignations*  
Utumapu/Wright
- b) notes and endorses the appointment of Mr Callum Williamson to the role of Local Recovery Manager, as per the contents of the report
- c) notes the resignation of Mr Doug Scott from the role of Alternate Local Controller
- d) notes the retirement of Mrs Phillippa Wilson from the role of Local Recovery Manager  
Parkinson/Crockett



## 6. Adoption of Council CDEM Annual Workplan 2019-20

- 6.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum presenting the Council CDEM Annual Workplan for 2019-20 for the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.

### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the memorandum *Adoption of Council CDEM Annual Workplan 2019-20*  
Bedford/Clough
- b) notes the contents of the plan contained within Appendix A of this report
- c) endorses the business plan to the Taranaki CDEM Group Joint Committee for adoption, acknowledging reviews after each quarter.  
Crockett/Langford

## 7. Fuel Plan Adoption

- 7.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager and Teresa Gordon, CDEM Analyst, spoke to memorandum presenting the *Draft Taranaki Fuel Emergency Plan* for adoption by the Coordinating Executive Group.

### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the report *Draft Taranaki Emergency Fuel Plan 2019*
- b) thanks all stakeholders for their input into developing the *Draft Taranaki Fuel Emergency Plan 2019*
- c) adopts the *Draft Taranaki Fuel Emergency Plan 2019* as a contingency plan for Taranaki CDEM Group  
Utumapu/Bedford

## 8. Volcanic Resilience Funding Application

- 8.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager and Teresa Gordon, CDEM Analyst, spoke to the memorandum seeking input into an application for MCDEM Resilience Funding in relation to the next review of Taranaki CDEM Group's *Mt Taranaki Volcanic Unrest Response Plan 2014*.

### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the report *Volcanic Response Plan – MCDEM Resilience Fund Application*  
Simmons/Crockett
- b) Supports the application being submitted to the Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management's Resilience fund  
Langford/Bedford

## 9. Contingency Plan Update

- 9.1 Teresa Gordon, CDEM Analyst, spoke to memorandum updating the Co-ordinating Executive Group on the progress of the planning and policy work programme.

### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) receives the memorandum, *Planning/Policy Work Programme 2019-2023*  
Utumapu/Parkinson
- b) notes and endorses the contents of the report
- c) notes the list of existing Taranaki CDEM Group strategies and plans
- d) recommends to the Taranaki CDEM Group Joint committee to adopt the policy development and review schedule for 2019 / 2023, as outlined in the report  
Crockett/Roper

## 10. Monitoring and Evaluation notice of process to CEG

- 10.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum informing the Coordinating Executive Group on an Evaluation and Monitoring process requested by the CDEM Regional Manager and CEG Chair.

### Recommended

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group

- a) note the memorandum *monitoring & Evaluation process for Taranaki CDEM Group*, and endorse the report to the Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee.  
Langford/Wright

## 11. Late Item - ECC Development Project update - flat pitch roof issues

- 11.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum presenting a report provided to the Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee on the flat pitch roof issue at the ECC, and update CEG with further project and budget information for approval to proceed.

THAT the Taranaki Coordinating Executive Group:

- a) receives the Memorandum, ECC Development Project update - flat pitch roof issue, and attached report to the Taranaki CDEM Group Joint Committee
- b) recommend to the Taranaki CDEM Group Joint Committee to approve the proposed roof replacement (warm roof steel).  
Wright/Crockett

**12. General Business**

12.1 Memorandum template

It was noted that the financial consideration section of the memorandum should be updated to reflect each topic.

12.2 Co-ordinated Incident Management System 3 (CIMS 3)

Mr C Campbell Smart, CDEM Regional Manager, spoke regarding the governments adoption of CIMS 3. This replaces all previous versions of CIMS and requires adoption by 1 July 2020. CIMS 3 describes how New Zealand Agencies and organisations coordinate, command and control all incidents.

There being no further business, the Chairperson, Mr S Hanne (Stratford District Council), declared the meeting of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group closed at 12.02pm.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**S Hanne**

**Date:** **17 September 2019**



**Minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence  
Emergency Management Group Joint Committee  
meeting held at the Taranaki Regional Council,  
47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday  
17 September 2019 commencing at 10.30am.**

<b>Members</b>	Councillor	M J Cloke	(Taranaki Regional Council) (Group Chairperson)
	Mayor	R Dunlop	(South Taranaki District Council)
	Mayor	N Volzke	(Stratford District Council)
	Councillor	R Jordan	(New Plymouth District Council)
<b>Attending</b>	Mr	W Crockett	(South Taranaki District Council)
	Mr	C Williamson	(New Plymouth District Council)
	Ms	L Davidson	(Taranaki Regional Council)
	Mr	S Hanne	(Stratford District Council) (CDEM Group CEG Chairperson)
	Mr	C Campbell-Smart	(Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager)
	Mr	I Wilson	(Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management)

Chairperson M J Cloke welcomed members to the meeting and thanked them for their contributions over the past three years. A special thanks was extended to Mayor Ross Dunlop as he retires from his role as Mayor for South Taranaki.

**Apologies Received** An apology was received from Mayor N Holdom and C Stevenson

**Notification of Late Items** Item 10 Use of Reserve Fund for Transition Plan - withdrawn  
Tabled - Adoption of Council CDEM Annual Workplan 2019-20

**1. Confirmation of Minutes - 18 June 2019**

**Resolved**

THAT the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 18 June 2019 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meetings held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Tuesday 18 June 2019 at 10.30am have been circulated to the Taranaki Regional Council, New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.

Dunlop/Volzke

### **Matters arising**

- 1.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart spoke regarding the release of the National Structures Cabinet Paper and supporting policy documents related to the establishment of NEMA, replacing MCDEM. These will be sent out to members.

## **2. Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Group Minutes**

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Co-ordinating Executive Group meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford, on Thursday 15 August 2019 at 10.30 am
- b) adopts the recommendations therein.

Cloke/Dunlop

### **Matters arising**

- 2.1 The Fuel Plan has been adopted and is now active and sets out how fuel shortages will be managed during an event in Taranaki. There is good coverage throughout the region.

## **3. Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Advisory Group Minutes**

- 3.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum to consider the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki CDEM Advisory Group meetings as follows:

Lifelines Advisory Group (LAG) – 26 June 2019  
Welfare Coordination Group (WCG) – 3 July 2019  
Primary Industries Sector Group (PISG) – 8 July 2019

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Lifelines Advisory Group (LAG) held 26 June 2019
- b) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Welfare Coordination Group (WCG) held on 3 July 2019
- c) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of the Primary Industries Sector Group (PISG) held on 8 July 2019

Cloke/Volzke

### **Matters arising**

- 3.2 A discussion was held around attendance at meetings and that there appears to be a lot of apologies in the minutes of the groups. It was noted that Civil Defence have set a target of 50% attendance at each meeting and they are currently meeting that. A letter from Chairperson M J Cloke will be sent to organisations to ensure they have the right people on the groups and ensure they are well represented.

## **4. Year End performance Report 2018/19**

- 4.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum presenting the 2018/19 Year End Performance Report for noting by the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group and answered questions arising.
- 4.2 It was noted that there is an underspend of \$260,031 for 2018/2019 financial year in respect of the anticipated cost of administrative services, and that this should be returned to Councils. If more funding is required further down the track then it could be requested.
- 4.3 Councillor R Jordan moved that the underspend of \$260,031 be distributed back to the South Taranaki District Council, Stratford District Council, New Plymouth District Council and the Taranaki Regional Council.  
Jordan/Volzke

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum, *Year End Performance Report 2018/19*
- b) notes the reserve accumulation of \$48,319
- c) determines that the underspend in support service charges of \$260,031 be returned to member Councils via funding apportionment

Dunlop/Cloke

## **5. Statutory Role Appointments and Resignations**

- 5.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum recommending appointment of Mr Callum Williamson to the role of Local Recovery Manager for New Plymouth District Council by the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Group and acknowledging resignations from statutory roles for South Taranaki District Council.

### **Resolved**

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the report *Statutory Role Appointments and Resignations*
- b) appoints Mr Callum Williamson to the role of Local Recovery Manger, as per the contents of the report

- c) records the resignation of Mr Doug Scott from the role of alternate Local Controller
- d) records the retirement of Mrs Phillipa Wilson from the role of Local Recovery Manger
- e) determines that letters of appreciation be sent to Mrs Phillipa Wilson and Mr Doug Scott

Cloke/Jordan

## 6. ECC Development Project update – flat pitch roof issue

- 6.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum updating the Taranaki CDEM Joint Committee on the flat pitch roof issue at the ECC following detailed design and costings, and to seek updated budget approval to proceed and answered questions arising.
- 6.2 It was clarified that the added cost is due to further work being required on the building.
- 6.2 It was noted that the permanent aerals will be relocated onto a bracket on the roof.
- 6.3 Work is due to start early in 2020 and will take approximately three months to complete.
- 6.4 A correction was made to page 77 Financial Considerations. The correct debt repayment amount is \$13,500 per annum, not \$17,000 per annum.

### Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum *ECC development Project update – flat pitch roof issue*;
- b) approves an additional \$130,000 for the ECC roof replacement, for a total replacement budget of \$330,000, funded through debt with the loan repaid over a twenty-five-year life of asset.

Dunlop/Cloke

## 7. Volcanic Response/Recovery Plan – MCDEM Resilience Fund Application

- 7.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the memorandum seeking endorsement for an application for MCDEM Resilience Funding in relation to the next review of Taranaki CDEM Group's *Mt Taranaki Volcanic Unrest Response Plan 2014* and answered questions arising.

### Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the report Volcanic Response Plan – MCDEM Resilience Fund Application; and
- b) endorses the application being submitted to the Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management’s Resilience fund.

Cloke/Volzke

## 8. Monitoring and Evaluation Process for Taranaki CDEM Group

- 8.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager, informed the Taranaki CDEM Group Joint Committee on an Evaluation and Monitoring process requested by the CDEM Regional Manager and Coordinating Executive Group Chair.
- 8.2 It was clarified that the cost for this is just over \$10,000 and has already been budgeted for.
- 8.3 Mr I Wilson noted that there are no plans in the near future for the Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management to conduct an audit so it would not be a double up.

### Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) notes the memorandum *Monitoring and Evaluation Process for Taranaki CDEM Group*

Volzke/Cloke

## 9. CDEM Group Submission

- 9.1 The memorandum is presenting members of the Taranaki CDEM Group Joint Committee with the submissions made by the Taranaki Emergency Management Office to various Government submission processes through quarter four, following existing protocols to represent the Taranaki CDEM Group.

### Resolved

That the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Joint Committee:

- a) receives the report CDEM Group Submissions;
- b) notes the content of the report and attached submissions for:
  - a. CIMS Welfare Review 2019
  - b. CIMS 3rd Edition
  - c. Recovery Preparedness and Management Director’s Guideline.

Jordan/Cloke

## 10. Late Item – Adoption of Council CDEM Annual Workplan 2019-20

- 10.1 Mr C Campbell-Smart, Taranaki CDEM Regional Manager, spoke to the late



memorandum, presenting the Council CDEM Workplan for 2019-20 for the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group.

10.2 It was noted that the Councils would need to look at their resourcing to meet the targets set out in the workplan as they may not be able to meet them.

10.3 South Taranaki District Council now have a full time FTE as opposed to a part-time.

### **Recommendation**

- a) receives the Memorandum, *Adoption of Council CDEM Annual Workplan 2019-20*;
- b) notes the contents of the plan contained within Appendix A of this report;
- c) approves the Taranaki Council CDEM Annual Workplan 2019-20, noting the possibility of prioritisation and review of work items at each quarter

Jordan/Volzke

## **11. General Business**

Mr I Wilson, Ministry of Civil Defence Emergency Management, spoke regarding a few things coming up:

- National Exercise Tūa Whenua – alpine fault earthquake, to occur 2020, with all CDEM Groups to participate.
- A welfare registration needs assessment system is due for completion prior to Christmas, with CDEM Groups needing to operationalise this within respective GIS systems.
- Exposure draft on CDEM Act legislation will be released by the end of 2019
- CIMS 3 takes effect by June 2020, with all CDEM Groups requiring to give effect to this.
- Professional Development courses coming up in 2020 are the Response and Recovery Leadership Development course, and bridging course for existing controllers.
- A second intake for the Emergency Management Assistance Team (EMAT) is now open and applications are being sought.

There being no further business, Group Chairperson Councillor M J Cloke (Taranaki Regional Council) declared the Taranaki Civil Defence Emergency Management Group meeting closed at 11.37am.

**Confirmed**

**Chairperson** \_\_\_\_\_  
**M J Cloke**

**Date** **3 December 2019**

## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019



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

**Subject: 2018/2019 Annual Report: Adoption**

**Approved by:** M J Nield, Director – Corporate Services

B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2334777

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### Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to receive, consider and adopt the audited consolidated *2018/2019 Annual Report* and the *Summary 2018/2019 Annual Report*.

### Executive summary

2. The Council has completed another successful operational and financial year. In completing its statutory obligations the Council is required to prepare an audited consolidated annual report and a summary annual report. This process is complete. The Council has received its audit opinion. The last step is the publishing of the annual report and the distribution of the summary annual report.

### Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum on the *2018/2019 Annual Report* and audit
- b) adopts the audited consolidated *2018/2019 Annual Report* and the *Summary 2018/2019 Annual Report*
- c) notes that the *2018/2019 Annual Report* and the *Summary 2018/2019 Annual Report* will be available to the public from 1 October 2019 onwards.

### Background

3. The Council is required to prepare an annual report, pursuant to section 98 and Schedule 10 of the *Local Government Act 2002*, assessing the performance of the Council against the policies, objectives, activities, performance targets, indicative costs, and sources of funds specified for 2018/2019 in the *2018/2028 Long-Term Plan*. Section 98 requires the annual report to be audited and then made available for public inspection. The Council is also required to produce and publish/distribute an audited summary annual report.

## Discussion

4. The *2018/2019 Annual Report* contains the audited financial and non-financial results of the Council plus the audited financial results of the Council's subsidiaries (Port Taranaki Limited and the Taranaki Stadium Trust).
5. Operationally, the Council completed another successful year across all of its functions and related activities. Major operational highlights of the 2018/2019 year included:
  - The community embracing the Towards Predator-Free project, the ambitious region-wide campaign launched in May 2018. Monitoring data shows this intensive predator control may already be making a difference – rats and possums in urban New Plymouth are decreasing, while the trapping network in rural and urban areas is expanding rapidly.
  - After taking expert advice, undertaking public consultation and holding a public hearing, making decisions to proceed with repairs to the earthquake-prone grandstands and essential refurbishments at Yarrow Stadium with a budget of up to \$50 million.
  - As in recent years, latest monitoring shows the ecological health of waterways at or near the best ever recorded. An independent study by NIWA has confirmed that fencing and planting the waterways is a direct factor in these improvements, as well as a reduction in bacteria levels.
  - A firm focus on presentation, interpretation and sound horticultural practice at the three heritage properties, Pukeiti, Tūpare and Hollard Gardens, has won recognition from the national garden sector as well as the regional public. Visitor numbers have been growing at Tūpare, Hollard Gardens and especially at Pukeiti, whose new Rainforest Centre and associated developments have clearly struck a chord with the public. Pukeiti is getting around 85,000 visits a year, about 200% up on what we were seeing just before the revamp and well ahead of the 10,000 annual visitors when the Council took responsibility for this property in 2010.
6. Other operational highlights of the 2018/2019 year included (graphics extracted from the full and summary annual reports):



## Supporting livelihoods



### Reporting environmental performance

**120** major consent monitoring programmes publicly reported.

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**90.7%** dairy farms and all pig and poultry farms complied with consent conditions.

High level of environmental performance by industries, councils and farming sector.

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### Enforcing environmental standards

**452**

environmental incidents responded to. Control and cleanup initiated where required.

**239**

abatement notices served

**112**

infringement notices issued.

### Sustainable farming

**450**

sustainable land management plans, covering 67.5% of hillcountry land in private ownership.

**87%**

hill country being managed sustainably





## Supporting livelihoods

**Restoring native habitats**



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**24** new biodiversity plans covering 1,099 ha of ecologically important habitats on private land. Total of 132 covering 5,357 ha.



**Removing predators and targeting pest plants**

**7,000** predator traps rolled out in urban New Plymouth and NPDC reserves to move Towards Predator-Free Taranaki

**6.7%** residual catch rate across self-help possum control programme, significantly reducing effects on biodiversity and agricultural production

**1,309** inspections for pest plants.

**Monitoring nature's extremes**

- ✓ Regional and District Councils maintained Civil Defence readiness and response capability.
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- ✓ maintained flood monitoring and warning networks.



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## Improving lifestyles



### Checking marine and river health

**99%** coastal beaches samples met MfE bathing guidelines during summer.

**80%** freshwater bathing site samples met MfE bathing guidelines during summer.

**47%** freshwater ecological sites show significant trends of improvement. None show significant decline.

**73%** nutrient measures at representative surface water sites stable or improving (since 1995).



widespread improvement in stream health

### Public bus services and transport

**4%** increase in passengers on region's public transport. 649,874 total trips.

**49,000** subsidised Total Mobility passenger trips

**\$65,000** for Ironside Vehicle Society to carry people with disabilities.



### World-class gardens

**147,461** Visitors to Tūpare, Pukeiti and Hollard Gardens



Tūpare awarded NZ Gardens Trust highest 5-star rating

### Assisting Puke Ariki, heritage and culture

Funding two major projects at Puke Ariki and one at Aotea Utanganui Museum of South Taranaki.



### Ensuring clean air

Taranaki's air quality is good, with negligible contribution from human activities.



### Yarrow Stadium

securing the future of Taranaki's international stadium



## Taking Taranaki forward



**Taranaki Regional Council** is made up of eleven publicly elected Councillors as follows: David MacLeod (Chairman), David Lean (Deputy Chairman), Michael Joyce, Donald McIntyre, Tom Cloke, Craig Williamson, Charlotte Littlewood, Neil Walker, Matthew McDonald, Michael Davey and Bev Raine.

**Building scientific knowledge** ✓

Range of resource investigations and applied research projects undertaken.

**Port Taranaki ownership**

**\$9m**

dividends from Council-owned Port Taranaki Ltd.

**Educating future generations**

**8,206** students experienced class visits or field trips through the Council environmental education programme

**14** environmental champions recognized by Council environmental awards

✓ regional coordination of Enviroschools programme

**Connecting people**

✓ advocacy for improving Forgotten World Highway (SH43), including sealing remaining 12 km

**Sound financial performance**

✓ Council balance sheet remains very strong, with no public debt.

**Supporting community initiatives**

worked with Wild for Taranaki, iwi and grassroots community groups to improve Taranaki's biodiversity.

## Financial results

7. The financial result for the year is a surplus of \$5,996,232 (total comprehensive income), which is \$5,766,488 over the budget of \$229,744. There have been a number of unders and overs in the budgets. The full analysis of the performance against budget is:

Budgeted total comprehensive income (operating surplus)	\$229,744
Actual total comprehensive income (operating surplus)	\$5,996,232
Positive variance	\$5,766,488

The key reasons for this variance are as follows:

Positive variance: Operating expenditure was less than budgeted: 634,053

*Across the full range of activities, there were many over and under expenditures – none of these variances was material.*

Positive variance: Direct charges were more than budgeted: 3,423,863

*Variances across all activities, however, in particular an unbudgeted New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act distribution was received (\$2.5m) and plant sales, pollution response and Predator Free 2050 revenue were all more than budgeted.*

Negative variance: Government grants were less than budgeted: (810,815)

*Mainly due to timing, but in particular the delay in and cancellation of Fresh Water Improvement Funding.*

Negative variance: Other investment revenue was less than budgeted: (76,105)

*Mainly due gains on asset sales being less than planned.*

Positive variance: Dividend income was more than budget: 1,000,000

*A higher dividend from Port Taranaki Limited than budgeted.*

Positive variance: Finance income was more than budget: 90,969

*Generated from higher investment balances due to revenues being higher than budget.*

Positive variance: Unrealised gains on revaluation of investment properties was more than budgeted: 1,132,500

*No allowance was made for an increase or decrease in values.*

Positive variance: Income tax expense was less than budgeted: 52,051

*More tax-deductible expenditure was incurred than budgeted.*

Positive variance: Unrealised gains on revaluation of flood control scheme assets was more than budgeted: 319,972

*No allowance was made for an increase or decrease in values.*

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\$5,766,488

8. This is the first annual report prepared under the Council's 2018/2028 Long-Term Plan.



9. The audit revealed no significant issues or internal control deficiencies. Deloitte will have issued their audit opinion by the time of the meeting. Similar to last year, Deloitte are unable to form an independent conclusion on the reasonableness of the valuation of the Yarrow Stadium Stands. Again, they will draw this uncertainty to the reader's attention in the audit opinion.
10. The assessment of the two stands as earthquake prone buildings has required the Taranaki Stadium Trust to reassess the value of those stands. This is a complex process as there are many unknowns in the future uses and/or repair of the stands. Consequently, the Trust has taken a conservative approach to the carrying value of the two stands and has written down the value of those assets by \$15.5m.
11. The Trust's auditors have issued an unmodified audit opinion on the Trust's annual report except for the assessment of the impairment of the two stands. They note:

*The impairment loss recognised on the Eastern and Western Stands of Yarrow Stadium that is disclosed in Note 6 of the financial statements amounts to \$15,514,988. This amount is based on knowledge to date. A further assessment has commenced on the options and costs for repairing and/or reinstating the stands, however this has not yet been completed at the time of authorising the financial statements. For this reason, there are limited audit procedures that we can perform to independently conclude the reasonableness of the asset value as at 30 June 2019.*
12. The auditor is correctly noting that there is insufficient information to form an opinion on whether the impairment assessment is too much, too little or about right.
13. As the Trust's financial statements are consolidated into the Council's financial statements, this uncertainty will carry over into this year's audit opinion.
14. A summary annual report is being prepared and audited presently. The current draft of the summary annual report is attached. It is a snapshot of the full annual report. It is intended to table the summary annual report at the meeting if there are any significant changes arising from the audit process.
15. Public notification of the availability of the audited 2018/2019 Annual Report will be made on Saturday 5 October 2019. The Summary Annual Report will be distributed through the region's free midweek newspapers.

### **Decision-making considerations**

16. Part 6 (Planning, decision-making and accountability) of the *Local Government Act 2002* has been considered and documented in the preparation of this agenda item. The recommendations made in this item comply with the decision-making obligations of the *Act*.

### **Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan**

17. 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**

18. 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*.

### **Iwi considerations**

19. 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. Similarly, iwi involvement in adopted work programmes has been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

### **Legal considerations**

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

### **Appendices/Attachments**

[Document 2273323: 2018/2019 Annual Report](#)

[Document 2337224: Summary 2018/2019 Annual Report](#)

# Taking Taranaki forward

Taranaki Regional Council Summary Annual Report 2018/2019



We are pleased to present the Taranaki Regional Council's 2018/2019 Annual Report. In particular, it's satisfying to report that although the year brought significant challenges, the Council notched up notable achievements in partnership with the regional community. And once again, we finished the year in a strong financial position.

We're confident the Council is well placed to meet future challenges and demands, and to continue to serve the region by supporting livelihoods, improving lifestyles and taking Taranaki forward.

## Highlights of the year included:

### Towards Predator-Free Taranaki

It's been exciting to see the community embrace the Towards Predator-Free project, the ambitious region-wide campaign launched in May 2018.

Monitoring data shows this intensive predator control may already be making a difference - rats and possums in urban New Plymouth are decreasing, while the trapping network in rural and urban areas is expanding rapidly.

Monitoring, using rat footprint tracking and a possum bite-mark index, show catch rates have dropped; rats went from 33 per cent to 19 percent over the year, while the urban New Plymouth possum index has fallen from 25.6 to 1.4 per cent in the past four years.

These results strongly suggest the rapidly growing trapping network in urban New Plymouth backyards, parks and reserves is having an impact, supporting successful efforts removing predators on rural and conservation land.

There have been many other highlights in the first year, including the enthusiastic involvement of young people and schools, and the way the Oākura-Kaitake community has embraced the cause and made it their own. This area was an excellent choice for the zero possum trial that is part of the wider programme.

### Yarrow Stadium

Proceeding with repairs to the earthquake-prone grandstands and essential refurbishments at Yarrow Stadium with a budget of up to \$50 million was one of the most momentous and difficult decisions ever faced by Councillors.

The unanimous decision was based on full consideration of all the possibilities, taking into account expert analyses by engineers, geotechnical specialists, economists and others, as well as a thorough public consultation process.

Councillors listened carefully to the wide range of views put forward during the consultation process. And after weighing everything up and a good debate, the Council remains confident the community largely shares our vision for Yarrow Stadium: The best non-metro stadium in the country for national and international sports, entertainment and community events, offering a quality experience for all who use it.

It is clear to us that we must reinstate Yarrow Stadium to what it was, with refurbishments that are necessary to meet current and foreseeable requirements for such venues. This was undoubtedly the best option that was within the TRC's financial capabilities.

Not everyone agrees, of course. That is to be expected. Still, it's disappointing to note that misinformation and inaccuracies continue to be given currency by some.

We moved swiftly and efficiently to get to the point where a decision could be made, giving certainty to the community as well as key stakeholders. It was pleasing that so many took part in the consultation process.

### Freshwater quality & riparian programme

The long-running and world-scale effort by the region's rural sector to fence and plant thousands of kilometres of waterways in Taranaki continues to be rewarded by positive results in terms of freshwater quality. It's also winning wider attention and recognition.

The Riparian Management Programme is a mammoth project in terms of scale, numbers and timeframe:

- 15,400 kilometres of stream banks.
- 5.6 million native plants, with more to come.
- Thousands and thousands of hours and tens of millions of dollars.
- 25-years plus, and the finish line is in sight.

As in recent years, latest monitoring shows the ecological health of waterways at or near the best ever recorded. An independent study by NIWA has confirmed that fencing and planting the waterways is a direct factor in these improvements, as well as a reduction in bacteria levels. It was most pleasing that the project won Local Government NZ's 2017 Excellence Award for Environmental Well-Being.

But there are still gains we can make and a lot of work we need to do. The Council has been fully engrossed in a review of our 'rulebook', the Freshwater and Land Plan, to tease out issues and potential fixes. There's been a raft of scientific studies and we've also been running a series of hui with iwi and other water users.

The Council is still aiming to have a proposed new plan ready for notification in mid-2020.

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During the year, Tūpare was awarded the NZ Gardens Trust's highest six-star rating - a distinction shared by only 13 other locations nationally.

Visitor numbers have been growing at Tūpare, Hollard Gardens and especially at Pukeiti, whose new Rainforest Centre and associated developments have clearly struck a chord with the public. Exciting new features are in the pipeline as development work continues and we're confident we'll see visitor numbers rise even further as a result.

### Strong financial position

The Council finished the 2018/2019 financial year with a surplus of \$5.99m. This result was strongly and favourably influenced by property and asset revaluations (\$1.45m), dividends in excess of budget (\$1m) and unbudgeted revenue following enactment of the New Plymouth District Council (Waitara Lands) Act 2018 (\$2.5m). This latter income is to be applied for specific purposes in the Waitara catchment as detailed in the above statute. Excluding these extraordinary influences, the budget ran to a surplus of about 3% of turnover, a pleasing result.

We gratefully acknowledge the efforts and achievements of staff during the year, ably governed by a team of councillors providing clear direction and leadership, consistent with our mission. It was a very busy period and the Council has been resolute in its efforts to support livelihoods, improve lifestyles and take Taranaki forward.



David MacLeod, Chairman

## Deloitte INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE READERS OF TARANAKI REGIONAL COUNCIL'S SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

The summary of the consolidated annual report was derived from the annual report of the Taranaki Regional Council (the Regional Council) and its subsidiaries and controlled entities (the Group) for the year ended 30 June 2019.

The summary of the consolidated annual report comprises the following summary statements on pages 2 to 4:

- the summary statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019;
- the summaries of the statement of comprehensive revenue and expense, statement of changes in net assets/equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2019;
- the notes to the summary financial statements that include accounting policies and other explanatory information; and
- the summary performance information.

### Opinion

In our opinion:

- the summary of the annual report represents, fairly and consistently, the information regarding the major matters dealt with in the annual report; and
- the summary statements comply with PBE FRS-43: Summary Financial Statements.

### Summary of the annual report

The summary of the annual report does not contain all the disclosures required by generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand. Reading the summary of the annual report and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the full annual report and the auditor's report thereon.

### The full annual report and our audit report thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the Council information and a qualified opinion on the Group information that we audited in the full annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019 in our auditor's report dated 1 October 2019.

### Council's responsibility for the summary of the annual report

The Council is responsible for preparing the summary of the annual report which includes preparing summary statements, in accordance with PBE FRS-43: Summary Financial Statements.

### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary of the annual report represents, fairly and consistently, the information regarding the major matters dealt with in the full annual report and whether the summary statements comply with PBE FRS 43: Summary Financial Statements.

Our opinion on the summary of the annual report is based on our procedures, which were carried out in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Professional and Ethical Standards and the International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with, or interests in the Regional Council.

Melissa Youngson,  
Deloitte Limited  
On behalf of the Auditor-General  
Hamilton, New Zealand  
1 October 2019

# Supporting livelihoods



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✓ High level of environmental performance by industries, councils and farming sector.



## Removing predators and targeting pest plants

**7,000** predator traps rolled out in urban New Plymouth and NPDC reserves to move Towards Predator-Free Taranaki

**6.7%** residual catch rate across self-help possum control programme, significantly reducing effects on biodiversity and agricultural production

**1,309** inspections for pest plants.

## Enforcing environmental standards

**452**

environmental incidents responded to. Control and cleanup initiated where required.

**239**

abatement notices served

**112**

infringement notices issued.

## Sustainable farming

**450** sustainable land management plans, covering 67.5% of hillcountry land in private ownership.

**87%** hill country being managed sustainably



# Improving lifestyles



## Checking marine and river health

**99%** coastal beaches samples met MfE bathing guidelines during summer.

**80%** freshwater bathing site samples met MfE bathing guidelines during summer.

**47%** freshwater ecological sites show significant trends of improvement. None show significant decline.

**73%** nutrient measures at representative surface water sites stable or improving (since 1995).

 widespread improvement in stream health

## Ensuring clean air

Taranaki's air quality is good, with negligible contribution from human activities.



## Public bus services and transport

**4%** increase in passengers on region's public transport. 649,874 total trips.

**49,000** subsidised Total Mobility passenger trips


**\$65,000** for Ironside Vehicle Society to carry people with disabilities.



## Yarrow Stadium

securing the future of Taranaki's international stadium

## Assisting Puke Ariki, heritage and culture

 Funding two major projects at Puke Ariki and one at Aotea Utanganui Museum of South Taranaki.



## World-class gardens

**147,461** Visitors to Tūpare, Pukeiti and Hollard Gardens


 Tūpare awarded NZ Gardens Trust highest 6-star rating

# Taking Taranaki forward




**Taranaki Regional Council** is made up of eleven publicly elected Councillors as follows: David MacLeod (Chairman), David Lean (Deputy Chairman), Michael Joyce, Donald McIntyre, Tom Cloke, Craig Williamson, Charlotte Littlewood, Neil Walker, Matthew McDonald, Michael Davey and Bev Raine.

## Connecting people

 advocacy for improving Forgotten World Highway (SH43), including sealing remaining 12 km

## Sound financial performance

 Council balance sheet remains very strong, with no public debt.


## Port Taranaki ownership

**\$9m** dividends from Council-owned Port Taranaki Ltd.



## Educating future generations

**8,206** students experienced class visits or field trips through the Council environmental education programme


**14** environmental champions recognized by Council environmental awards  
 regional coordination of EnviroSchools programme

## Supporting community initiatives

worked with Wild for Taranaki, iwi and grassroots community groups to improve Taranaki's biodiversity.



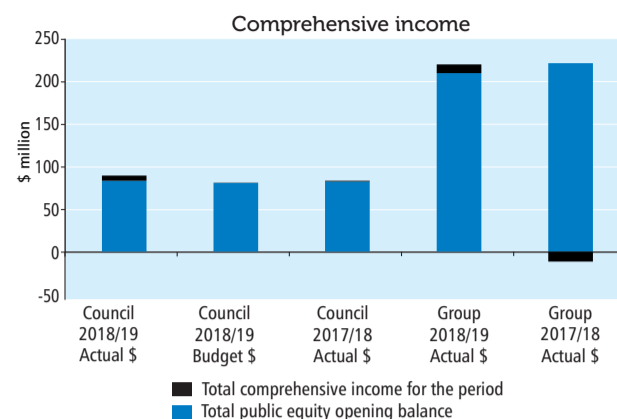
## Building scientific knowledge

 Range of resource investigations and applied research projects undertaken.



### Comprehensive revenue and expense

	Council 2018/19 Actual \$	Council 2018/19 Budget \$	Council 2017/18 Actual \$	Group 2018/19 Actual \$	Group 2017/18 Actual \$
Total expenses	31,349,965	31,984,018	26,607,482	64,942,803	57,200,250
Total income	35,460,705	31,923,762	26,276,063	74,122,046	66,372,062
Operating surplus/(deficit) before finance income and expenses and taxation	4,110,740	(60,256)	(331,419)	9,179,243	9,171,812
Finance income	390,969	300,000	398,416	437,156	421,589
Finance expense	-	-	-	(2,102,643)	(1,593,560)
Operating surplus before taxation	4,501,709	239,744	66,997	7,513,756	7,999,841
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of investment properties	1,132,500	-	810,000	1,132,500	810,000
Impairment of assets	-	-	-	-	(14,851,588)
Income tax expense	42,051	(10,000)	(1,446)	(3,540,037)	(3,537,446)
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period	5,676,260	229,744	875,551	5,106,219	(9,579,193)
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit and loss when specific conditions met.					
Impairment of assets	-	-	-	-	(2,438,400)
Revaluation of property, plant and equipment	319,972	-	86,312	4,853,477	86,312
Change in cash flow hedge	-	-	-	197,813	258,490
Total comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	5,996,232	229,744	961,863	10,157,509	(11,672,791)



### Changes in net assets/equity

The Council's equity grew by \$6m in 2018/2019 to \$88.8m. At a Group level, the total community ownership of the Council and the Group grew by \$10.2m to \$218.7m.

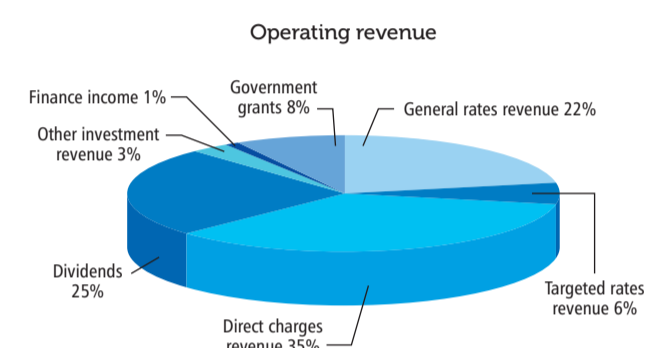
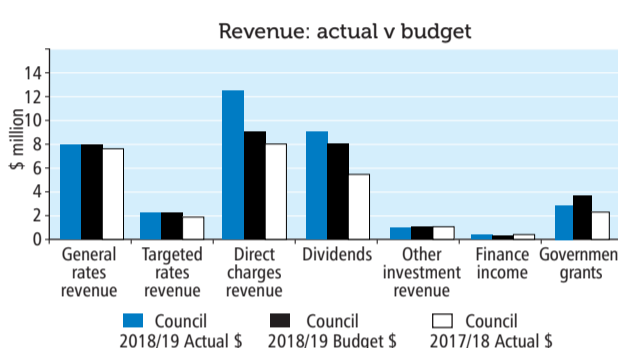
The Council's total equity of \$88.8m (Group - \$218.7m) is made up of retained earnings \$69.7m (Group - \$137.1m), special purpose reserves \$14.3m (Group - \$14.3m) and asset revaluation reserves \$4.8m (Group - \$68.1m). The Group also has a cash flows hedge reserve of \$0.79m (debit).

### Comprehensive income

The Council made a net operating surplus (other comprehensive income) of \$5,996,232 (2017/2018, \$961,863) compared to a budgeted surplus, before transfers to and from reserves, of \$229,744. The entire operating surplus is from continuing activities.

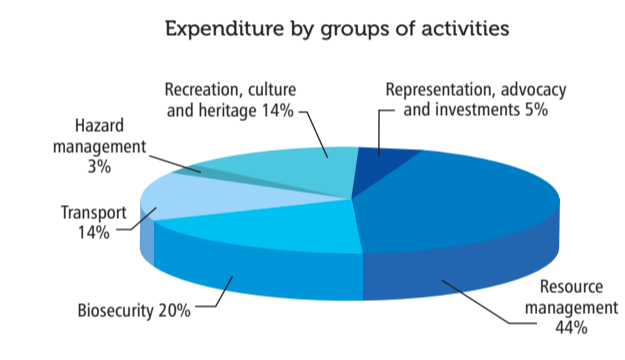
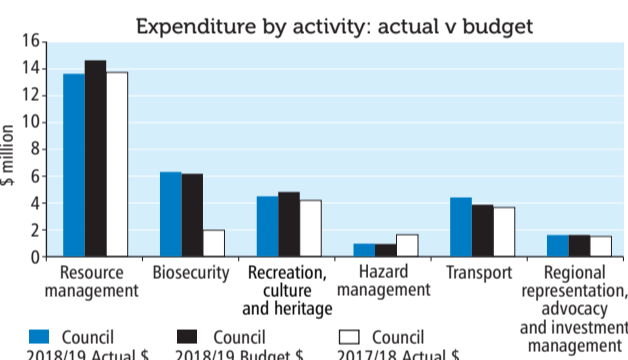
### Revenue

Total Council only revenue (including finance income) was above budget by \$3,627,912.



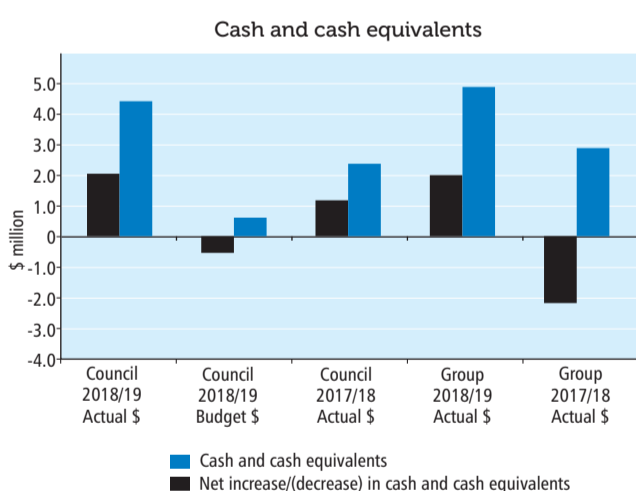
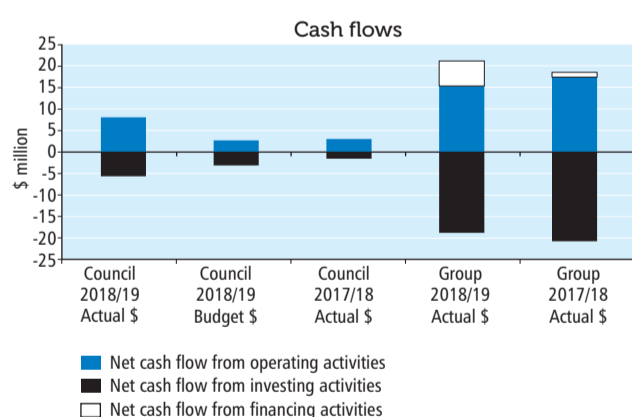
### Expenditure

Council only operating expenditure was over budget for the year by \$634,053. There were many small ups and downs across the Council's budgets.



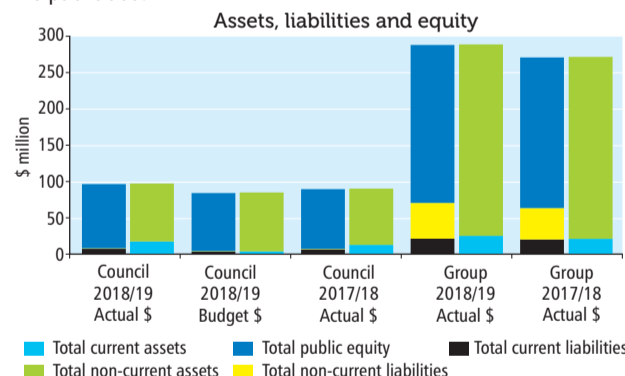
### Cash flows

The Council's cash and cash equivalents increased by \$2,358,662 during the year. Net cash inflows from operating was \$7.26m, whilst net cash outflows from investing activities was \$5.22m. At a Group level cash balances increased by \$2.8m to \$4.8m in total.



### Financial position as at 30 June 2019

The Council's assets grew by \$7.0m for the Council and by \$17.3m for the Group. Liabilities increased by \$1.02m for the Council and increased by \$7.1m for the Group. The Council continued to have no public debt.



### Notes

These summary financial statements have been prepared in compliance with "Financial Reporting Standard No.43 (PBE)" issued by the External Reporting Board. The summary report cannot provide as complete an understanding as the full Annual Report, which is available free of charge from the Council offices (ph 06 765 7127) or email publications@trc.govt.nz or visit the Council's website www.trc.govt.nz.

This summary financial report has been extracted from the Taranaki Regional Council 2018/2019 Annual Report dated 1 October 2019. The Council received an unmodified audit opinion. The Group received a qualified audit opinion due to the limited audit procedures able to be performed over the Yarrow Stadium stands asset value as at 30 June 2019. The opinion was dated 1 October 2019. The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars. The Summary Annual Report was adopted and authorised by the Taranaki Regional Council on 1 October 2019.

Taranaki Regional Council is the ultimate parent of the Group and controls two entities being Port Taranaki Ltd and Taranaki Stadium Trust. There have been a number of transactions between Port Taranaki Ltd, the Taranaki Stadium Trust and the Taranaki Regional Council during the year in the normal course of business.

The primary objective of the Taranaki Regional Council is to provide goods or services for the community or social benefit rather than making a financial return. Accordingly, Taranaki Regional Council has designated itself and the Group as public benefit entities for the purposes of International Public Sector Accounting

Standards (IPSAS). The full set of financial statements included in the Annual Report has been prepared in accordance with NZ GAAP. The full set complies with IPSAS, and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards, as appropriate for public benefit entities. These summary financial statements are in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of IPSAS but do not comply with the presentation and disclosure requirements of IPSAS. The summary financial statements are in respect of the Council and Group's IPSAS full financial statements. This summary annual report has been prepared in accordance with Tier 1 Public Benefit Entity (PBE) standards.

During the 2017/2018 year, detailed seismic assessments were completed on the East and West Stands of Yarrow Stadium. The assessments indicated that the East Stand was 10% of new building standard and the West Stand was 20% of new building standard. As such both stands were earthquake prone buildings and were closed from use.

The West Stand increased to 45% of new building standard if the seats were closed to public use and only the facilities at the top of the stand used. At 45% of the standard, the stand was not considered earthquake prone and could be used again, with the public excluded from the seats. The total carrying value of the East and West Stands before the recognition of impairment loss amounted to \$19,726,399.

Based upon knowledge as at 30 June 2018, the level of impairment was assessed at 50% for the West Stand (excluding the new hospitality area which was fully operational) and 90% for the East Stand.

The total value of the impairment loss of the East and West Stands for the year ended 30 June 2018 was \$15,514,988. \$10,049,235 of the impairment was reversed against previous building revaluations recorded in the asset revaluation reserve, with the remaining balance of \$5,465,753 recognised in surplus or deficit.

The Trust is committed to the repair of the stands and the investigations on the repair options has been completed. The Taranaki Regional Council has approved the repair and refurbishment of Yarrow Stadium. The project will include repairs to the earthquake-prone grandstands and consequential changes. Other important refurbishments include additional food and beverage outlets, toilets, technology upgrades, LED pitch lighting, improvements to the car park and gates, new South Terrace seating and the reinstatement of Field 1. Detailed designs for different components of the project are being drawn up by engineering consultants, and a project manager appointed to oversee the project.

This work essentially restores what existed, with essential updates. The estimated cost is \$48 million, with a contingency allowance of \$2 million which will be funded by a 25 year loan through Taranaki Regional Council.

Work to implement the fixes will commence in the 2019/2020 year. As at 30 June 2019 the carrying amount of the relevant buildings is appropriate and no further impairment recognised in the 2018/2019 year.

The Taranaki Regional Council and Taranaki Stadium Trust have contingent liabilities of \$58,000 as at 30 June 2019 (\$58,000 - 2017/2018). This relates to land purchases as part of the Opunake Flood Control Scheme. For the Group, there have been no material events subsequent to balance date.

## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 24 September 2019



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

**Subject: Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki:  
Decisions on submissions**

**Approved by:** AD McLay, Director-Resource Management  
BG Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2326271

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### Purpose

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to introduce two documents attached separate to this Agenda, which set out the details of the Taranaki Regional Council's (the Council) decisions on submissions to the *Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki* (the Proposed Coastal Plan), and to recommend their adoption by the Council.
2. The two documents are:
  - *Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki: Decisions on Submissions*, dated September 2019; and
  - *Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki, as amended following decisions on submissions*, dated September 2019.

### Executive summary

3. The Coastal Plan review has involved a comprehensive consultative and engagement process, including the extra steps of consulting on the Draft Proposed Coastal Plan and undertaking extensive pre-hearing engagement with submitters on the publicly notified Proposed Coastal Plan.
4. The Proposed Coastal Plan was publicly notified on 24 February 2018. Sixty-one initial submissions were received on the Proposed Coastal Plan, with a further 25 submissions received in support or opposition of the initial submissions.
5. The Council delegated the authority to hear and consider submissions to a Hearing Panel that comprised of three experienced hearing commissioners. The three accredited hearing commissioners appointed to the Hearing Panel, were Cr Michael Joyce (as Chair), Cr Neil Walker, and Rawiri Faulkner (the later being appointed as an independent hearing commissioner with plan hearing and tikanga Māori expertise).
6. Fifteen submitters were heard in support of their submissions at the Hearing, with a further six submitters tabling correspondence.

7. The original submissions raised 1,360 matters that the Hearing Panel had to consider. Additional matters were also raised and considered through further submissions and the evidence tabled at the Hearing.
8. After the hearing of submissions, Hearing Panel members deliberated and instructed officers to prepare their report and recommendations to Council on the Proposed Coastal Plan. These reports were subsequently considered and adopted at the Policy and Planning Committee meeting on 3 September 2019. At that meeting, it was noted that a formal document recording the decisions of the Council on all submissions to the Proposed Coastal Plan, together with an amended version of the Proposed Coastal Plan, would be submitted to the Council for adoption at this meeting.
9. In brief, through submissions, pre-hearing meetings, and the hearing of submissions a number of small but important changes have been recommended, that should ensure that the Council builds on its efforts to promote sustainable management in the coastal environment, including Taranaki's coastal marine area. Other changes have also been recommended to improve the readability or clarify policy intent in relation to many Plan provisions.

## Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum, the draft Taranaki Regional Council decisions report, the track change version showing recommended changes to the Proposed Coastal Plan;
- b) considers the Section 32AA Evaluation Report (appended to the *Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki: Decisions on Submissions*) and confirms that the Council is satisfied that any changes to the policies, rules and methods set out in the Proposed Plan are the most appropriate way to achieve the objectives of the Plan:

having regard to:

- all written submissions received on the Proposed Coastal Plan, including submissions received in support or opposition to those initially made;
- all submissions heard and tabled at the hearing of submissions on the Proposed Coastal Plan;
- the report of the Hearing Panel following the hearing of submissions on the Proposed Coastal Plan; and

having evaluated:

- the extent to which each objective is the most appropriate way to achieve the purpose of the *Resource Management Act 1991*; and
  - whether having regard to their efficiency and effectiveness, the policies, rules or other methods are the most appropriate for achieving the objectives taking into account:
    - the benefits and costs of policies, rules or other methods; and
    - the risk of acting or not acting if there uncertain or insufficient information about the subject matter of the policies, rules or other methods;
- c) adopts the decisions and reasons for decisions recorded in the *Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki: Decisions on Submissions*, dated September 2019;
  - d) adopts the *Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki* dated September 2019;



- e) notifies all submitters of the decisions taken on submissions by the Taranaki Regional Council and the reasons for those decisions;
- f) publicly notifies that the Council has made its decisions on the submissions to the *Proposed Coastal Plan for Taranaki*;
- g) notes that the period within which appeals may be lodged with the Environment Court must occur within 30 working days of service of the notice of the Council's decisions; and
- h) notes the comprehensive consultative and engagement process undertaken, including the extra steps of consulting on the draft Proposed Coastal Plan and undertaking extensive pre-hearing engagement with submitters on the publicly notified Proposed Coastal Plan.

## **Background**

- 10. As Members are aware, the Council is reviewing its current *Regional Coastal Plan for Taranaki* under the *Resource Management Act 1991* (the RMA). A Proposed Coastal Plan, which was the culmination of a comprehensive consultative and engagement process including consultation on the Draft Proposed Coastal Plan, was publicly notified on 24 February 2018.
- 11. Sixty-one initial submissions were received on the Proposed Coastal Plan, with a further 25 submissions received in support or opposition of the initial submissions.
- 12. Members may recall that the Council, acting under section 34A of the RMA, appointed three experienced hearing commissioners to hear, consider and make recommendations to it on the submissions on the Proposed Coastal Plan. The Council delegated to the Hearing Panel all its functions, powers and duties to hear and consider submissions on the Proposed Coastal Plan, including requiring and receiving reports under section 42A and exercising powers conferred by sections 41B and 41C of the RMA.
- 13. On Wednesday 24 July and Thursday 1 August 2019, the Hearing Panel met to hear submissions made to the Proposed Coastal Plan. The three accredited hearing commissioners appointed to the Hearing Panel, were Cr Michael Joyce (as Chair), Cr Neil Walker, and Rawiri Faulkner (the later being appointed as an independent hearing commissioner with plan hearing and tikanga Māori expertise). Consultation with iwi authorities occurred in relation to the appointment of Hearing Commissioner Rawiri Faulkner.
- 14. Fifteen submitters were heard in support of their submissions at the Hearing, with a further six submitters tabling correspondence to be considered by the Hearing Panel.
- 15. During the course of the hearing, the Hearing Panel considered the submissions heard, all written submissions on the Proposed Coastal Plan, the outcome of pre-hearing consultation with all submitters, the officer recommendations on submissions and the further evidence and submissions tabled at the Hearing. The Hearing Panel reached decisions on all submissions and instructed officers to prepare a report setting out the Panel's deliberations and its recommendations to the full Council on those submissions.

16. The Policy and Planning Committee considered its report and recommendations on submissions at its meeting on 3 September 2019. It was noted that a formal document adopting the Hearing Panel's recommendations and recording the decisions of the Council on all submissions to the Proposed Coastal Plan, together with an amended version of the Proposed Coastal Plan, would be submitted to the Council for adoption at this meeting.

### **The Decisions on Submissions document and revised Proposed Coastal Plan**

17. Schedule One of the RMA requires the Council, following any hearing of submissions, to make its decisions, giving reasons for accepting or rejecting any submissions.
18. The Decisions on Submissions, document attached separate to this agenda, contains decisions on all submissions received, including submissions supporting or opposing those initially made, and the reasons for those decisions. This document reflects in full, the recommendations of the Hearing Panel and as adopted by Policy and Planning Committee.
19. Amendments to the Proposed Coastal Plan giving effect to these decisions are shown in a revised version of the document attached separate to this Agenda. Words to be deleted are shown with a single line through the relevant words. Additions, alterations or other amendments are shown by underlined text. All changes are shown in a different colour from the original text.
20. This stage of the process represents the culmination of an intensive process of policy development, consultation, policy refinement and reporting, over a number of years. The vast majority of comment and submissions received have been positive and helpful. The pre-hearing consultation and discussion stage proved to be a valuable opportunity for both Council staff and submitters to identify and resolve issues of concern with a minimum of formality and cost. The time and effort that submitters have put into the development of the revised Proposed Coastal Plan, through making submissions, entering into discussions and in attending meetings, has been greatly appreciated.
21. Once the Council has considered and adopted its decisions on submissions and the revised Proposed Coastal Plan, both documents will be forwarded to submitters. The Council is also required to publicly notify the fact that it has made decisions on submissions. Submitters have 30 working days from receipt of the Council's decisions in which to lodge appeals to the Environment Court. Any appeals must relate to matters raised in submissions.
22. Consequential amendments are being made to the online maps supporting the Proposed Coastal Plan. It is therefore planned to publicly notify and serve notice of decisions on or about 5 October 2019, submitters will have until about 18 November 2019 in which to lodge appeals. Given the extensive engagement undertaken it is hoped there will be no appeals. If this is the case, the Proposed Coastal Plan could be approved and made operative by the Council in early 2020. However, if appeals are lodged, this will delay the Proposed Coastal Plan becoming operative, although there is provision in the RMA for the Council to approve with the consent of the Environment Court, those parts of the Coastal Plan not affected by appeals. The Council must give 5 working days notice of the date on which the Coastal Plan becomes operative.

23. Section 32 of the Act requires the Council, before adopting its Coastal Plan to carry out an evaluation of:
  - a) the extent to which each objective is the most appropriate way to achieve the purpose of the Act; and
  - b) whether having regard to their efficiency effectiveness, the policies, rules or other methods are the most appropriate for achieving the objectives.
24. The evaluation required by section 32 of the Act must take into account:
  - a) the benefits and costs of policies, rules or other methods; and
  - c) the risk of acting or not acting if there is uncertain or insufficient information about the subject matters of the policies, rules or other methods.
25. These duties have previously been met through the policy development process leading up to notification of the Proposed Coastal Plan and which were recorded in a separate section 32 report adopted prior to the public notification of the Proposed Plan. However, the RMA is clear that the evaluation required by section 32 must be carried out before the Proposed Coastal Plan was notified and again before decisions on submissions are made.
26. The section 32 matters have again been thoroughly evaluated during the submission evaluation, pre-hearing consultation and hearing process leading up to this point. Appended to the Decisions on Submissions document is the Section 32AA Evaluation Report that addresses those key changes that have occurred through the submission and hearing processes and which were not considered by the Council under the initial Section 32 evaluation.
27. The aforementioned statutory requirements are reflected in the recommendations outlined in this item.

### **Decision-making considerations**

28. Part 6 (Planning, decision-making and accountability) of the *Local Government Act 2002* has been considered and documented in the preparation of this agenda item. The recommendations made in this item comply with the decision-making obligations of the *Act*.

### **Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan**

29. 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**

30. 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*.

### **Iwi considerations**

31. 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. Similarly, iwi involvement in adopted work programmes has been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

### **Legal considerations**

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

### **Appendices/Attachments**

[Document No. 2334518 - Taranaki Regional Council's decisions report on Proposed Coastal Plan.](#)

[Document No. 2334511 - Taranaki Regional Council track changes of the Proposed Coastal Plan.](#)

## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019



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

**Subject: Appointment of Deputy Harbourmaster  
and Issuing of a Warrant**

**Approved by:** A D McLay – Director, Resource Management  
B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

**Document:** 2178489

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### Purpose

1. To appoint a deputy harbourmaster, to replace Captain Mike Birch, at Port Taranaki Ltd.

### Executive summary

2. Only the Council can make the Deputy Harbourmaster appointment.
3. The Council has a contract with Port Taranaki Ltd that establishes a process for the appointment that essentially involves the Council's Harbourmaster, Mr T Parr, has assessed the suitability of the candidate. Mr M Birdsall, a pilot at the port has been deemed to have the necessary skills and experience to be a Deputy Harbourmaster.
4. The Council last appointed a Harbourmaster in December 2017 and Deputy Harbourmasters in June 2017.

### Recommendations

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum on the appointment of a deputy harbourmaster and the issue of a warrant
- b) appoints Matthew Birdsall as a Deputy Harbourmaster under section 33D of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 and sections 32 and 174 of the Local Government Act 2002, and approves their warrant powers described in this memorandum.

### Background

5. The Council has responsibility for navigation safety within Port Taranaki and its approaches. These responsibilities are contained within *the Maritime Transport Act 1994*

(MTA), Maritime Rules and, in part, are given effect to through the Council's *Navigation Bylaws for Port Taranaki and its Approaches 2009*.

6. Under section 33D of the *Maritime Transport Act 1994* and section 174(1) of the *Local Government Act 2002*, only the Council can appoint harbourmasters and enforcement officers and issue warrants for navigation safety functions and entry of private land under the Acts. Section 32 of the *Local Government Act 2002* allows the Council to delegate powers to individuals who are not staff. These functions mainly involve ensuring the safe navigation, anchoring and mooring of vessels, including recreational pleasure craft within the area covered by Council Bylaws (Port Taranaki and its approaches).
7. Currently there is one Harbourmaster (Mr Tony Parr) and three Deputy Harbourmasters (Captains Neill MacKean, Adam Eager and Olaf Wahlen). The Deputy Harbourmasters are available to deputise for the Harbourmaster in his absence. The Deputies are also harbour pilots.

### **Contract**

8. The role of the Harbourmaster and Deputy Harbourmaster is covered by a contract with this Council signed in December 2017. This includes provisions (clause 3) for the replacement of the Deputy Harbourmaster which essentially involves an assessment by the Council (Harbourmaster) of the suitability of a person for the role.
9. The provisions of the contract have been followed in making the recommendation to Council.

### **Appointment**

10. It is proposed Matthew Birdsall become a Deputy Harbourmaster. He has 18 years maritime experience and is a MNZ qualified ship's Master. He is employed at the port as a pilot to replace Mike Birch.

### **Warrants**

11. Under section 174(1) of the *Local Government Act 2002* the Council issues a written warrant under the seal of Council giving the person named on the warrant authority to act on the Council's behalf and enter private land. The warrants below have been prepared by the Council's lawyer and refer to sections of the Act summarised below.
12. The proposed wording for the Deputy Harbourmaster warrant is identical to the proposed Harbourmaster warrant with some minor modifications to record that the Deputy has the powers of a Harbourmaster, except in terms of section 33J (wreck removal) and 33L (removal of abandoned ships) powers. The proposed wording is as follows:
13. *'Pursuant to section 33D of the Maritime Transport Act 1994, the officer named and pictured on the front of this card, has been appointed as a Deputy Harbourmaster for the Taranaki Regional Council with the powers of a Harbourmaster.'*

*The Deputy Harbourmaster is authorised to exercise the functions and powers under sections 33E, 33F, 33H, 33P and 423 of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 for the purpose of ensuring maritime safety and enforcing navigation bylaws within those areas of the Taranaki region for which the Council has made navigation bylaws under section 33M of the Maritime Transport Act 1994. If necessary, in the exercise of any of those powers, the Deputy Harbourmaster may enter and remain on any ship, any maritime facility or any land or property of a port company or a port operator within the Council's region (section 33F(1) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994).*

*Failure to comply with a deputy harbourmaster's directions or requirements is an offence under section 33F(6) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994.*

*This warrant is also issued pursuant to sections 32(1) and 174 of the Local Government Act 2002.'*

14. The sections of the MTA 1994 noted in the warrant text above are summarised below:
15. 33E - Functions of a harbourmaster to ensure maritime safety in relation to waters for which he or she has been appointed by the regional council.
16. 33F - Harbourmaster general powers including powers to: enter/remain on ships and marine facilities; give directions to ships on movement, securing, mooring and cargo handling; cause the removal of hazards to navigation; require a person in charge of a ship or a person committing an offence to give his or her name and address; require the owner of a ship involved in an offence to give all information that may lead to the identification of the person (not being the owner) who it is alleged committed the offence; and control maritime traffic.
17. 33H - Powers of entry in relation to any ship building or place.
18. 33J - Remove and deal with any wrecks that is a hazard to navigation.
19. 33L - Remove, store, sell, or otherwise dispose of abandoned ships.
20. 33P and 423 MTA - Issue infringement notices.
21. The warrants are signed by the Chief Executive Officer in the presence of a member of the Council (normally the Chairman) and the Council's seal is then affixed to the warrants.

### **Next steps**

22. If the Council agrees to the appointment and the issuing of a warrant, a warrant card will be prepared and issued. The old warrant would be collected and destroyed unless the person was to be employed, on a part time basis, in the future. The key navigation and safety stakeholders will be informed about the changes.

### **Decision-making considerations**

23. Part 6 (Planning, decision-making and accountability) of the *Local Government Act 2002* has been considered and documented in the preparation of this agenda item. The

recommendations made in this item comply with the decision-making obligations of the Act.

### **Financial considerations—LTP/Annual Plan**

24. 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**

25. 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*, the *Maritime Transport Act 1994*, and the *Biosecurity Act 1993*.

### **Iwi considerations**

26. 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. Similarly, iwi involvement in adopted work programmes has been recognised in the preparation of this memorandum.

### **Legal considerations**

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



## Agenda Memorandum

**Date** 1 October 2019



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

**Subject: Meeting Dates October/November 2019**

**Approved by:** M J Nield, Director-Corporate Services

B G Chamberlain, Chief Executive

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### **Purpose**

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide notification to Members of the next round of Council meetings for 2019.

### **Meeting Dates**

The next round of Council meetings for **October and November 2019** will be as follows:

First meeting of the Taranaki Regional Council	Tuesday 30 October 2019	10.30am
Ordinary Meeting	Tuesday 5 November 2019	10.30am

## **Ordinary Meeting Public Excluded**

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 Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 1 October 2019 for the following reason/s:

### **Item 12 - Confidential Ordinary Meeting Minutes**

*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 13 - Confidential Executive Audit and Risk Committee Minutes**

*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: Project Governance and Delivery**

*That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings 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.*