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Members	Councillor	C L Littlewood	Committee Chairperson
	Councillor	N W Walker	Committee Deputy Chairperson
	Councillor	M G Davey	
	Councillor	M J McDonald	
	Councillor	D H McIntyre	
	Councillor	C S Williamson	
	Councillor	E D Van Der Leden	
	Councillor	M P Joyce	ex officio
	Councillor	D N MacLeod	ex officio

Representative

Members	Councillor	G Boyde	Stratford District Council
	Councillor	S Hitchcock	New Plymouth District Council
	Councillor	C Young	South Taranaki District Council
	Ms	L Tester	Iwi Representative
	Ms	B Bigham	Iwi Representative
	Mr	P Muir	Federated Farmers Representative

Attending	Councillor	D L Lean	
	Mr	S J Ruru	Chief Executive
	Mr	M J Nield	Director - Corporate Services
	Mr	A D McLay	Director - Resource Management
	Ms	A J Matthews	Director - Environment Quality
	Mr	D R Harrison	Director - Operations
	Mr	C Spurdle	Planning Manager
	Mr	R Phipps	Science Manager - Hydrology/Biology
	Ms	V McKay	Science Manager - Chemistry
	Mr	C Wadsworth	Strategy Lead
	Mr	P Ledingham	Communications Officer
	Miss	L Davidson	Committee Administrator
	And three members of the public.		

Apologies An apology was received and sustained from Mr P Moeahu, Iwi Representative.

Notification of Late Items There were no notifications of late items

The Committee expressed their sympathy to Mr P Moeahu for the passing of his wife.

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 20 July 2021

Resolved

That the Policy and Planning Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Policy and Planning Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council held in the Taranaki Regional Council Chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 20 July 2021 at 10.30am
- b) notes the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 10 August 2021.

Littlewood/Walker

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

2. Freshwater Programme Update

- 2.1 Mr C Wadsworth, Strategy Lead, spoke to the memorandum, providing Committee with a Freshwater implementation project update.
- 2.2 It was noted that the schedule will be reviewed to ensure the dates are still appropriate and will be reviewed six-monthly.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the update on Freshwater implementation programme.

Littlewood/Boyde

3. Plan Alignment with the Essential Freshwater Package

- 3.1 Mr C Spurdle, Policy Manager, spoke to the memorandum informing the Committee that consequential amendments have been made to the *Regional Freshwater Plan for Taranaki* (Fresh Water Plan) and *Regional Soil Plan for Taranaki* (Soil Plan) for provisions pursuant to section 44A of the *Resource Management Act 1991* (RMA).
- 3.2 Iwi and Hapu will be advised of the amendments but it is noted that this is not a consultation process.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum entitled *Plan alignment with the Essential Freshwater Package*
- b) notes NES-F and NPS-FM requirements for Council to review and amend any regional rules and policies that duplicate or conflict with the NES-F and NPS-FM as soon as practicable after 3 September 2020
- c) notes amendments to the Fresh Water Plan and Soil Plan have been made to remove the duplication or conflict with the NES-F without using the Schedule 1 RMA process

- d) notes the amendments to the Fresh Water Plan to include transitional policies from the NPS-FM without using the Schedule 1 RMA process
- e) notes that a public notice was published on 1 August 2021 notifying the amendments to the Fresh Water Plan.

Littlewood/Walker

4. Freshwater Farm Plan Regulations Discussion Document

- 4.1 Mr D R Harrison, Director – Operations, spoke to the memorandum advising of the content of the *Freshwater farm plan regulations discussion document*, and to provide Members an opportunity to provide comment on issues which they would like to see addressed in a Council submission.
- 4.2 It was requested, that regular hui be set up with Iwi and Hapu to discuss all work streams at once to ensure a more cohesive, efficient and streamlined approach.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Freshwater farm plan regulations, discussion document*
- b) advises of the issues and comments that the Committee wish to see presented in a formal submission to the Government on the discussion document
- c) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- d) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Littlewood/Joyce

5. Stock Exclusion Regulations: Proposed Changes to the Low Slope Map

- 5.1 Mr D R Harrison, Director – Operations, spoke to the memorandum advising Members of the content of the *Stock exclusion regulations: Proposed changes to the low slope map discussion document*, and to provide Members an opportunity to provide comment on issues with they would like to see addressed in a Council submission.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum *Stock exclusion regulations: Proposed changes to the low slope map*
- b) notes that Officers are preparing a submission that is due 12 September 2021
- c) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- d) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further

information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Littlewood/MacLeod

6. Submission on MARPOL Annex VI

- 6.1 Mr C Wadsworth, Strategy Lead, spoke to the memorandum informing the Committee of the submission on the proposed *Introduction of Marine Protection Rules Proposed Part 199: Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships and proposed amendments to Schedule 1 of the Marine Protection (Offences) Regulations 1998*.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum
- b) adopts the submission on the Proposed Rules
- c) determines that this decision be recognised as significant or not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- d) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Littlewood/Boyde

7. Natural and Built Environments Bill Exposure Draft Submission

- 7.1 Mr C Wadsworth, Strategy Lead, spoke to the memorandum providing the Committee with an opportunity to review the Councils' submission on the Natural and Built Environments Bill Exposure Draft ("the NBA" and "the Exposure Draft") and the submission on the Exposure Draft that was made in the name of the Mayoral Forum.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this memorandum
- b) receives the attached submissions
- c) determines that this decision be recognised as not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- d) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Littlewood/Van Der Leden

8. Submission on Ngāti Maru (Taranaki) Claims Settlement Bill

- 8.1 Mr A D McLay, Director – Resource Management, spoke to the memorandum informing the Committee of the submission in support of the Ngāti Maru (Taranaki) Claims Settlement Bill.

Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this Memorandum
- b) approves the attached submission
- c) determines that this decision be recognised as significant or not significant in terms of section 76 of the *Local Government Act 2002*
- d) determines that it has complied with the decision-making provisions of the *Local Government Act 2002* to the extent necessary in relation to this decision; and in accordance with section 79 of the Act, determines that it does not require further information, further assessment of options or further analysis of costs and benefits, or advantages and disadvantages prior to making a decision on this matter.

Littlewood/Boyde

There being no further business the Committee Chairman, Councillor C L Littlewood, declared the meeting of the Policy and Planning Committee closed at 11.40am. The meeting closed with a karakia.

Confirmed

Policy and Planning

Chairperson: _____

C L Littlewood

12 October 2021