

**Date** 1 February 2022, 10.30am

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

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<b>Members</b>	Councillor	C L Littlewood	Committee Chairperson
	Councillor	N W Walker	Committee Deputy Chairperson
	Councillor	M G Davey	<i>Zoom</i>
	Councillor	M J McDonald	<i>Zoom</i>
	Councillor	D H McIntyre	
	Councillor	C S Williamson	<i>Zoom</i>
	Councillor	D N MacLeod	ex officio
	Councillor	M P Joyce	ex officio <i>Zoom</i>

### Representative

<b>Members</b>	Councillor	G Boyde	Stratford District Council
	Ms	L Tester	Iwi Representative <i>Zoom</i>
	Ms	B Bigham	Iwi Representative <i>Zoom</i>
	Mr	P Moeahu	Iwi Representative
	Mr	P Muir	Federated Farmers <i>Zoom</i>

<b>Attending</b>	Councillor	D L Lean	<i>Zoom</i>
	Mr	S J Ruru	Chief Executive
	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	C Wadsworth	Strategy Lead <i>Zoom</i>
	Mr	S Tamarapa	Iwi Communications Advisor
	Mr	R Phipps	Manager - Science & Technology <i>Zoom</i>
	Miss	L Davidson	Executive Assistant
	Miss	R Sweeney	Governance Administrator
	Mr	D Luke	Te Korowai o Ngāruahine Trust <i>Zoom</i>

*One member of the media Robin Martin, Radio New Zealand.*

**Apologies** Apologies were received and sustained from Councillors E D Van Der Leden, C Young - South Taranaki District Council and S Hitchcock - New Plymouth District Council.

## 1. Confirmation of Minutes – 23 November 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 Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Tuesday 23 November 2021 at 10.30am
- b) notes the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 14 December 2021.

Walker/McIntyre

### Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

## 2. Submission on the Proposed Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw 2021

- 2.1 Mr D R Harrison, Director - Operations, spoke to the memorandum to seek the Members' endorsement of the submission on the New Plymouth District Council (NPDC) *Statement of proposal dog control policy and dog control bylaw 2021* (the Proposal).

### Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives this Memorandum entitled Submission on the *Proposed Dog Control Policy and Dog Control Bylaw 2021*
- b) receives and endorses the attached submission on the Proposal
- 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.

MacLeod/Joyce

### 3. Update on Old Man's Beard Control Programme

- 3.1 Mr D R Harrison, Director - Operations, spoke to the memorandum to update Members' on the progress that the Taranaki Regional Council (the Council) has made with the implementation of the Old Man's Beard control programme along the Waingongoro River.

#### Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the Memorandum entitled Update on Old Man's Beard control programme.

McDonald/Boyde

### 4. Ngāruahine Kaitiaki Plan

- 4.1 Mr D Luke, Environmental lead at Te Korowai Ngāruahine Trust presented for the Members information an Iwi management plan recently produced by Te Korowai o Ngāruahine Trust entitled Ngāruahine Kaitiaki Plan 2021, Te Uru Taiao o Ngāruahine.
- 4.2 Mr P Moeahu, Iwi Representative requested further detail on the iwi management plans held at the council and how they are being used by council staff.
- 4.3 Councillor C L Littlewood suggested a memorandum that highlights how the iwi management plans have been utilised.

#### Recommended

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum and the Ngāruahine Kaitiaki Plan 2021 - Te Uru Taiao o Ngāruahine;
- b) notes that the Plan outlines the expectations and the position of Te Korowai o Ngāruahine on matters relating to the environment in their takiwā (rohe);
- c) notes that the Plan will be taken into account during the review of the Council's Resource Management Act policy documents concerning air, freshwater, soil and coastal resources;
- d) recognises that the Plan is a positive step forward in clarifying the expectations and policy position of Te Korowai o Ngāruahine on environmental matters;
- e) determines that this decision be recognised as significant or not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002; and
- f) 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

Moeahu/Bigham

### 5. Essential Freshwater - Nitrogen Cap Provisions

- 5.1 Mr C Wadsworth, Strategy Lead - Resource Management, spoke to the memorandum to provide the Committee background on the provisions relating to nitrogen fertiliser application limits and reporting under the Essential Freshwater implementation

package. It also provided some details on the current work being undertaken by Council and nationally towards consistent implementation.

### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the Memorandum entitled Essential Freshwater – Nitrogen Cap Provisions.  
Walker/MacLeod  
Against – Councillor D H McIntyre

## **6. Future for Local Government Review Panel Visit**

- 6.1 Mr S Ruru - Chief Executive Officer, spoke to the memorandum to seek endorsement of the strategic concepts that Council might seek to advance for consideration by the
- 6.2 Members provided feedback on the presentation and the draft report.

### **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the Memorandum Future for Local Government Review Panel Visit
- b) notes that the Future for Local Government Review Panel will be visiting the Taranaki Regional Council on 17 March 2022.
- ~~c) agrees that the strategic level concepts discussed in the attached paper should be referred to during the discussion that Council is having with the Future for Local Government Review panel on 17 March 2022~~
- ~~d) asks the Chief Executive to forward a copy of the paper to the Future for Local Government Review panel ahead of the 17 March 2022 meeting~~
- ~~e) determines that this decision be recognised not significant in terms of section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002~~
- ~~f) 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.~~

MacLeod/McDonald

## **7. Council Order Paper Template**

- 7.1 Mr S J Ruru, Chief Executive, spoke to the memorandum to determine whether the Committee should recommend to the Council that it changes the agenda memorandum template standard report section and heading titled "Iwi Considerations"
- 7.2 Mr P Moeahu, Iwi Representative requested the inclusion of what Treaty principle considerations have taken place.

## **Recommended**

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) requests a report to Policy and Planning Committee regarding the agenda report section of the agenda titled "Iwi Implications" be changed to "Treaty Principle Considerations".

Walker/McIntyre

## **8. General Business**

- 8.1 Councillor C L Littlewood noted that there were a number of people, over the summer, swimming at sites that were flagged 'red' for potential poor water quality and requested the TRC look into education and better signage.

There being no further business the Committee Chairman, Councillor C L Littlewood, declared the meeting of the Policy and Planning Committee closed at 12.40pm. The meeting closed with a karakia.

**Confirmed**

## **Policy and Planning**

**Chairperson:** \_\_\_\_\_

**C L Littlewood**

**15 March 2022**