

Date:	13 February 2024	
Venue:	Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford	
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Present:	C S Williamson	Chairperson
	B J Bigham	
	D M Cram	(zoom)
	D H McIntyre	
	A L Jamieson	
	C L Littlewood	(ex officio)
	N W Walker	(ex officio)
	P Moeahu	Iwi Representative
	E Bailey	Iwi Representative (zoom)
	L Gibbs	Federated Framers
	G Boyde	Stratford District Council
	C Filbee	South Taranaki District Council
	B Haque	New Plymouth District Council
Attending:	S J Ruru	Chief Executive
	A D McLay	Director – Resource Management
	A J Matthews	Director – Environment Quality
	D Harrison	Director – Operations
	M J Nield	Director – Corporate Services
	L Hawkins	Planning Manager
	F Kiddle	Strategy lead
	L Hawkins	Policy Manager
	G Marcroft	Senior Policy Analyst
	S Harris	Policy Analyst
	J Reader	Communications and Engagement Manager
	A Smith	Science Communications Advisor
	M Jones	Governance Administrator
	N Chadwick	Executive Assistant

The meeting opened with a group Karakia at 10.30am.

Apologies: Were received and sustained from Councillor Hughes and M Ritai.

1. Confirmation of Minutes Policy and Planning 21 November 2023

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) took as read and confirmed the minutes of the Policy and Planning Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council held at 10.30 on 21 November 2023 at Taranaki Regional Council 47 Cloten Road Stratford
- b) noted the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 12 December 2023.

McIntyre/Boyd

2. Government Policy Update

- 2.1 Mr F Kiddle gave an update on key policy statements from the new Government's freshwater policy.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the memorandum titled *Government Policy Update*
- b) noted that the Government's announced policy programme will have significant impacts, but considerable uncertainty remains on the detail of that policy programme
- c) noted significant advocacy effort will likely be needed to engage in the national policy process.

Walker/Filbee

3. Freshwater Implementation Update

- 3.1 Ms L Hawkins provided an update on the Freshwater Implementation project.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the February 2024 update on the Freshwater Implementation Programme.

McIntyre/Boyde

4. Freshwater Engagement

- 4.1 Miss S Harris presented the findings of the third phase of public engagement on freshwater emphasising that public engagement is a critical component on implementing the *National Objectives Framework (NOF)* under the *National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (NPS-FM) 2020*.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received this memorandum titled Freshwater engagement report following September/October 2023 consultation.
- b) noted that this engagement period is part of a broader community consultation process which will continue in 2024 as part of developing the *Proposed Land and Freshwater Plan for Taranaki*.

Williamson/Walker

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, C S Williamson, declared the meeting of the Policy and Planning Committee closed at 11.17am.

Policy and Planning

Committee Chairperson: _____

C S Williamson