



MINUTES

Taranaki Solid Waste

Date: 20 August 2020, 10.30am

Venue: Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford

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Present	Councillors	N W Walker B Roach A Jamieson	Taranaki Regional Council (Chairman) South Taranaki District Council Stratford District Council
Attending	Councillor	M Bellringer Mr G Bedford Mrs H Gerrard Miss L Davidson Mr P Ledingham Ms L Jones Mrs K Hope Ms J Dearden Mrs V Araba Mr H Denton Mr J Beeslar Ms R Martin Mr R Simeon	(South Taranaki District Council) (<i>zoom</i>) (Taranaki Regional Council) (Taranaki Regional Council) (Taranaki Regional Council) (Taranaki Regional Council) (Taranaki Regional Council) (New Plymouth District Council) (New Plymouth District Council) (Stratford District Council) (South Taranaki District Council) (South Taranaki District Council) (South Taranaki District Council) (Envirowaste) (<i>Zoom</i>)
Apologies		An apology was received from Councillor R Handley, New Plymouth District Council. Walker/Jamieson	
Notification of Late Items		There were no late items.	

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 21 May 2020

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes and resolutions of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held via zoom on Thursday 21 May 2020 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee meeting held via zoom on Thursday 21 May 2020 at 10.30am, have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.

Walker/Jamieson

Matters arising

Plastic in road surfacing

- The plastics in road surfacing trial is continuing. A second trial has been laid in the yard, it has better consistency however there are a few issues around the quality of compacting. Due to this it is unable to be rolled out yet and is still waiting on the feasibility study to be completed.
- It was suggested that once they have the right combination it is tested on mountain roads in colder climate and also in warmer higher volume areas.
- It was clarified that there are other countries using plastic on roads. However, the mixture of New Zealand's baled mix plastics has not been trialled elsewhere. The single stream plastics already have markets so they are not being used for the trial. The mixed bales of recycling in New Zealand are not able to be utilised and recycled in any other way at this time which is why they are using these types of plastics to trial.

2. Enviroschools Activities

- 2.1 Mr G K Bedford, Taranaki Regional Council, introduced Lauree Jones, Taranaki Enviroschools Regional Coordinator & Facilitator who provided a presentation on Enviroschools activities.
- 2.2 Ms L Jones was thanked for her presentation and acknowledgment was given to her for her passion for her job.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the presentation by Lauree Jones on Enviroschools activities in Taranaki.

Jamieson/Walker

3. Regional Waste Minimisation Officer's Activity Report

- 3.1 Ms J Dearden, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum informing the Committee of significant activities undertaken by the Regional Waste Minimisation Officer, in collaboration with the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum and notes the activities of the Regional Waste Minimisation Officer.

Jamieson/Roach

4. Change to What Plastics Will be Accepted for Recycling

- 4.1 Ms K Hope, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum outlining the upcoming change to what plastics will be accepted for recycling in Taranaki.
- 4.2 All three councils have approved the change to what plastics can be accepted for recycling going forward. The change in recycling will start from 31 August 2020.
- 4.3 It is not believed that this will have much impact on volumes of wastes going to landfill.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum and notes the upcoming changes to the acceptance of plastics for recycling.

Walker/Jamieson

5. Regional Behaviour Change Strategy

- 5.1 Ms K Hope, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum presenting the draft Regional Behaviour Change Strategy.
- 5.2 It was noted that education providers, specifically Enviroschools, should be consulted and included in further conversations on the Regional Behaviour Change Strategy.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the memorandum
- b) notes and ratifies the Regional Behaviour Strategy.

Walker/Roach

6. Progress on the Government's Work Programme for Waste

- 6.1 Ms H Gerrard, Taranaki Regional Council, spoke to the memorandum informing the Committee of recent announcements regarding the Government's work programme on waste.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) receives the information contained in this memorandum pertaining to recent Government announcements.

Walker/Jamieson

7. General Business

7.1 Disposal of Tyres

- NPDC are looking at whether they can provide a facility as a collection point for tyres or if there is anyone in the industry that wants to be the collection point. NPDC will look at the feasibility of a collection point through the LTP process.
- Illegal dumping of tyres on land is a district council issue. If they are in a water way then it is the responsibility of the Regional Council.

7.2 Colson Road Landfill Special Waste

- For the past 12 months the Colson Road landfill has been kept open to accept special waste from commercial businesses. This was to allow businesses time to find an alternative to dispose of their special waste. It has been reasonably expensive and is not a viable option going forward. The landfill will now be permanently closed on 31 October. The Taranaki Construction Safety Group have made inquiries about special waste, particularly asbestos, being stored locally somewhere and then sent away in bulk. NPDC are speaking with them directly.

There being no further business, Committee Chairperson, Councillor N W Walker declared the meeting of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee closed at 11.54am.

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

N W Walker

19 November 2020