



Date: 4 November 2021, 10.30am
Venue: Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford
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Present	Councillors	N W Walker	Taranaki Regional Council
		B Roach	South Taranaki District Council
		A Jamieson	Stratford District Council
		M Chong	New Plymouth District Council
Attending	Councillor	D H McIntyre	Taranaki Regional Council
		Ms A Matthews	Taranaki Regional Council
		Ms H Gerrard	Taranaki Regional Council
		Miss L Davidson	Taranaki Regional Council
		Ms L Campbell	Stratford District Council
		Mr J Cooper	Stratford District Council
		Ms K Hope	New Plymouth District Council
		Ms J Dearden	New Plymouth District Council (<i>zoom</i>)
		Mr H Denton	South Taranaki District Council
		Mr J Beeslaar	South Taranaki District Council

Apologies An apology for lateness was received from Councillor R Handley (NPDC), Aaron Green (Envirowaste) and Rebecca Martin (STDC).
 Jamieson/Roach

Notification of AG-Recovery.
Late Items

1. Confirmation of Minutes - 12 August 2021

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 in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Thursday 12 August 2021 at 10.30am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee held at the Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Thursday 12 August 2021 have been circulated to the New Plymouth District

Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council for receipt and information.

Jamieson/Roach

Matters arising

- 1.1 Waste Reduction Plan – It was clarified that the threshold for commercial projects to submit a Construction Waste Reduction Plan (\$500,000) was decided based on the current number of commercial builds, and consideration of the availability of both Council and contractor resources, particularly during the set-up phase. This threshold will be revisited when the bylaw is next reviewed. It is anticipated that these requirements will eventually roll down to residential builds in addition to commercial builds.
- 1.2 Clarity is still being sought around developers, whether they are considered commercial or residential.

2. Taranaki District Health Board COVID-19 Associated Biohazard Waste

- 2.1 Ms M Cashmore, Sustainability Lead, Taranaki District Health Board, spoke to the memorandum providing the Committee with an update on the following:
 - Development of a process to manage Taranaki DHB's COVID-19 associated community biohazard waste.
 - Taranaki DHB's COVID-19 community healthcare service and associated waste.
 - Seek key council contacts to discuss this further.
- 2.2 Teams are being put in place to prepare the region for biohazard disposal associated with COVID-19 SIQ (self-isolation quarantine). Taranaki DHB is looking to identify secure (lockable) facilities to house biohazard waste storage bins to enable the appropriate disposal of PPE and medical equipment etc. from community isolations. It was requested that contacts from District Councils get in touch with Maria about potentially suitable facilities.

3. Regional Waste Minimisation Officer's Activity Report

- 3.1 Ms J Dearden, Regional Waste Minimisation Officers, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum informing Committee members of significant activities undertaken by the Regional Waste Minimisation Officer, in collaboration with the district council officers of New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and South Taranaki District Council.
- 3.2 While COVID-19 lockdowns have disrupted workflow, staff have been working on different approaches and ways of doing things to enable business to continue.
- 3.3 The organic waste feasibility study is in the very early stages. Engagement with stakeholders is currently underway. Tonkin and Taylor (consultants) have been engaged to assist.

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.
Roach/Jamieson

4. Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Regional Annual KPI Summary

- 4.1 Ms K Hope, Manager – Resource Recovery, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum providing a summary of NPDC, SDC and STDC's progress towards the five-year targets outlined in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plans, for the information of the Committee.
- 4.2 Contamination is an ongoing issue throughout New Zealand. About 25% of recycling is contaminated. Major contamination contributors are cling film wrap and food. Education will continue.

Resolved

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

- a) receives the memorandum and notes the progress towards meeting selected KPIs for the councils' Waste Management and Minimisation Plans.
Chong/Roach

5. Ministry for the Environment Consultation – Waste Strategy, Waste Legislation and the Emissions Reduction Plan

- 5.1 Ms K Hope, Manager – Resource Recovery, New Plymouth District Council, spoke to the memorandum to introduce and summarise a number of recent proposals from MfE relating to the waste and resource sector.
- 5.2 It was noted that the timeframes for consultation on issues coming out of central government are tight and do not always provide sufficient time to engage.
- 5.3 A copy of the submission will be sent out to the Committee once completed.

Resolved

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

- a) receives the memorandum entitled Ministry for the Environment consultation (MfE) - Waste Strategy, Waste Legislation and the Emissions Reduction Plan.
Roach/Jamieson

6. General Business

- 6.1 Ag-recovery - it was noted that Farm Source now have disposal bins for some agriculture waste. District Councils will look into this further and see whether it is linked with the AG-Recovery programme.

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

Confirmed

Chairperson _____

N W Walker

3 March 2022