



Future Proof Implementation Committee Open Meeting Minutes

Time & Date 12.00pm, 10 September 2020

Venue Video conference

Committee Members	Bill Wasley Allan Sanson Aksel Bech Jim Mylchreest Liz Stolwyk Paula Southgate Dave Macpherson Kataraina Hodge Hon Nanaia Mahuta Margaret Wilson Parekawhia McLean Sonny Karena Rukumoana Schaafhausen Nick Gibbons (for Steve Mutton) Andrew Baker	Independent Chair, Future Proof Mayor, Waikato District Council/Deputy Chair Deputy Mayor, Waikato District Council Mayor, Waipa District Council Deputy Mayor, Waipa District Council Mayor, Hamilton City Council Councillor, Hamilton City Council Deputy Chair, Waikato Regional Council Minister for Māori Development & Local Government Deputy Commissioner, Waikato DHB Tainui Waka Alliance Ngā Karu Atua o te Waka Waikato-Tainui Waka Kotahi (non-voting) Chairperson, Franklin Local Board
Alternate Members	Janet Gibb Pamela Storey	Councillor, Waikato District Council Councillor, Waikato Regional Council
Advisors & Support Staff	Peter Winder Michelle White Nichola Lennard Luke O'Dwyer Blair Bowcott Andrew Parsons Ryan Hamilton Simone van Asbeck Melissa Clark Maxine van Oosten Martin Gallagher Ernst Zollner Rebecca Maplesden Vishal Ramduny Gary Knighton Manaaki Nepia Mark Tamura Megan Kettle Brian Croad Natalie van Rossen	Future Proof Future Proof Future Proof Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Hamilton City Council Ministry for Housing & Urban Development Ministry for Housing & Urban Development Waikato District Council Waipa District Council Waikato-Tainui Waikato Regional Council GMD Consultants Tainui Group Holdings Waka Kotahi

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Richard Ward
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Apologies Hon Phil Twyford
Ken Tremaine
Gavin Anderson
Russ Rimmington
Bill Cashmore

Minister for Economic Development, Urban
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Future Proof
Mana Whenua Kaitiaki Forum
Chair, Waikato Regional Council
Deputy Mayor, Auckland Council

1. Apologies

The apologies were accepted.

Resolved: Mayor Southgate/Deputy Mayor Bech
That the apologies be received.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Hamilton-Waikato Metropolitan Spatial Plan (MSP)

The report commencing on page 1 of the agenda was taken as read.

Comments on the report included:

- Luke clarified paragraph 5.4 on page 5 of the agenda. One of the general themes from stakeholder engagement was around funding and the need to secure crown support to fund requisite infrastructure.
- Waipa District Council noted support for principles of the MSP but raised concern with the cost and how it will be funded. This will be an ongoing issue.
- It was noted that Waikato District Council provided comments on the MSP via email. The requested amendments are of a minor editorial nature.

The Chair and Committee acknowledged and congratulated Luke and the team for the delivery of the MSP.

Resolved: Mayor Sanson/Mayor Southgate
That the Future Proof Implementation Committee:

1. *Receives this report.*
2. *Notes the draft MSP and its appendices.*
3. *Notes the development and stakeholder feedback contained in the report and attachments.*
4. *Notes that the MSP will be embedded into the Future Proof Phase 2 review.*
5. *Approves the draft MSP and appendices for finalisation and publication subject to any feedback from FPIC.*
6. *Delegates authority to the Future Proof Independent Chair to approve any minor editorial and formatting amendments to the MSP if required.*

4. Waikato Metro Wastewater Project

The report was taken as read.

Peter provided some comments on the report. This project is a good example of moving at pace. This project needs to move at pace to deliver an outcome from the detailed business case for a southern wastewater plant in time to allow Waipa District Council to address consenting issues. This project has very tight timeframes. The approach that we're adopting is to be tight on scope and adhere to the timeframes.

The southern detailed business case is currently underway. The northern detailed business case is awaiting potential funding through the three waters reform package.

The approach that has been taken for performance standards is to adopt the consented level of treatment at Pukekohe. This treatment level is at the leading edge of treatment technology. This performance standard will be applied to all wastewater treatment plant discharges to water. The approach also considers the solid waste stream and atmospheric emissions.

Comments on this item included:

- Waikato District Council sought inclusion of Tamahere hub in the project scope.
 - Peter replied that this can be included. It won't alter the decision making in the sense of scale and size of a treatment plant.
- Mayor Mylchreest sought clarification on the communities in and out of scope. Te Awamutu and Kihikihi are listed as being within scope but are a separate plant.
 - Jackie replied that the scope of the work is to look at the full metropolitan area. The expectation is that servicing for Te Awamutu and Kihikihi will remain standalone.
- For clarity, Tauwhare village is a separate village to Tauwhare Pa.
 - Jackie replied that the current scope doesn't include Tauwhare village, largely because the metro area boundary excludes it. It wouldn't be significant to include it, similar to Tamahere hub. Jackie will follow up with Vishal.
- The wastewater plant for Pukekohe sets the benchmark. We need to lift our game to that level. Waikato District Council is already in this frame of thinking.

Resolved: Deputy Mayor Bech/Deputy Mayor Stolwyk

That the Future Proof Implementation Committee:

1. ***Receives this report.***
2. ***Notes the update on the Waikato Metro Wastewater project.***

5. Infrastructure Funding and Financing - Pilot Studies

Richard Ward introduced the item and provided some background. The purpose of the item is to receive the report and to note the upcoming workshops. This work originates from the urban growth agenda programme. One of the five pillars is infrastructure funding and financing (IFF), with a number of different workstreams. The largest workstream was the work on developing a new alternative funding mechanism. This has resulted in the new IFF Act that was passed by parliament last month. What became apparent was the complexity of the IFF tool and that it would only be suitable for a certain number of projects across NZ. However, there are a whole range of other alternative funding and financing and structuring options, that are not as detailed, that could be applied to smaller projects.

These learnings have been captured through this project, and the resource will be made available to all councils across NZ - to upskill and present different options to councils. Rather than using abstract projects, live projects/concepts have been used as the case studies.

A draft report has been completed and the final report is due next month.

James Grant from PwC gave a presentation. The presentation is included on pages 31 to 37 of the agenda.

The aim of this work is to take the wider learnings of the IFF programme and to develop a tool box of funding, financing and delivery mechanisms that can be used by local government. The tools explored are much wider than the IFF Act, although the Act is one of the tools looked at in this piece of work. A particular focus of this work is how councils can work together to deliver infrastructure.

The study doesn't set to solve the funding, financing and delivery challenges. The hope is that this report will be a starting point for a wider use of tools. The focus is on currently available tools.

In order to bring tools to life, they have been applied to a number of case studies (based on real projects). The case studies include:

1. Southern Metro Wastewater
2. Te Huia passenger rail (enhanced service)
3. Waikato River restoration initiative
4. Sub-regional solid waste facility

The shortlisted case studies were selected based on the following criteria: is it regional or sub-regional; are there opportunities for other regions; is it BAU; does it support demand or growth.

There are a series of workshops coming up, which build on the work undertaken through the H2A Steering Group. The key workshop is on 17 September – members of FPIC are encouraged to attend.

An individual approach has been taken to each of the case studies. A workshop will be held on each, with an appropriate and wide-ranging group of stakeholders. Each case study has its own set of interested parties. To date most of the work has been at the official/staff level. The workshop on 17 September will be an opportunity for Elected Members to provide input.

The work was acknowledged and supported.

Resolved: Mayor Sanson/Deputy Chair Hodge

That the Future Proof Implementation Committee:

1. ***Receives this report.***
2. ***Notes the overview on the Implementation Pilots study.***
3. ***Notes the upcoming workshops on 17 September and that FPIC attendance is welcome.***

6. Appointment of FPIC Alternates

This item is noted as a work in progress. Some partners have already appointed alternates. Other partners are yet to appoint an alternate. FPIC will be updated on the appointments at the next meeting.

The Future Proof partners were advised to notify Michelle when an alternate has been appointed.

The Chair noted that in terms of protocols, the alternates sit at the table only when one of the representatives is unavailable.

Resolved: Parekwahia McLean/Sonny Karena

That the Future Proof Implementation Committee:

- 1. Receives this report.***
- 2. Notes that Future Proof member organisations can now appoint one alternate to the Future Proof Implementation Committee (one alternate per organisation).***
- 3. Notes the appointments made to date and that other appointments are yet to be made.***
- 4. Note the protocols around alternate members.***

7. Previous Minutes

There were no comments on the previous minutes.

Resolved: Deputy Chair Hodge/Deputy Mayor Stolwyk

That the previous minutes are received.

8. General Business

Scheduling of FPIC meetings

Hamilton City Council noted that some FPIC meetings have been clashing with their council/committee meetings.

Some suggestions were made to endeavour to resolve this:

- Set FPIC meetings well in advance.
- Hold meetings via zoom, thereby reducing the time requirement for the meeting.
- Consider holding meetings late afternoon e.g., starting 3pm or early morning.

Ken Tremaine

Ken had a major operation last week. He is recovering well and should be discharged from hospital today.

The FPIC wished Ken well in his recovery.

The meeting was declared closed at 12.50pm