

Minutes of a meeting of the Waikato District Council held in the Council Chambers, District Office, 15 Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia on **MONDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2018** commencing at **1.15pm**.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor, Mr AM Sanson (Chairperson)
Cr AD Bech
Cr JA Church
Cr DW Fulton
Cr JM Gibb
Cr SL Henderson
Cr SD Lynch
Cr BL Main
Cr EM Patterson
Cr JD Sedgwick
Cr NMD Smith
Cr LR Thomson

Attending:

Mr GJ Ion (Chief Executive)
Mrs S O’Gorman (General Manager Customer Support)
Mr I Cathcart (General Manager Service Delivery)
Mr TG Whittaker (General Manager Strategy & Support)
Mrs RJ Gray (Council Support Manager)
Ms N Armstrong-Nield (Customer Delivery Officer)
Ms L Shirley (Zero Harm Manager)
Mr V Ramduny (Planning & Strategy Manager)
Mr R Rink (Contracts Team Leader)
Mr K Pavlovich (Acting Waters Manager)
Mr P McPherson (Acting Programme Delivery Manager)
Ms A Diaz (Finance Manager)
Members of Staff

The meeting was opened with a korero by Cr Thomson and a karakia by the Customer Delivery Officer to reflect Maaori Language Week. His Worship the Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting in Maaori.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolved: (Crs Church/Bech)

THAT an apology be received from Cr McGuire and Cr McNally

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/01

CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Henderson)

THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Waikato District Council held on Monday 10 September 2018 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting with the exception of those items detailed at agenda item 8 which shall be considered with the public excluded.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/02

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Cr Fulton, Cr Gibb and Cr Sedgwick advised members of the Board that they would declare a non financial conflict of interest in item 5.1.7 [*Hearings for Proposed District Plan – Appointment of Councillors as Independent Hearing Commissioners*].

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Main)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Waikato District Council held on Monday 13 August 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/03

CONFIRMATION OF HEARING MINUTES

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Sedgwick)

THAT the minutes of a hearing of Waikato District Council to hear and consider submissions on the Waikato District Council Representation Review 2018 held on Wednesday 29 August 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/04

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Policy & Regulatory Committee

Receipt of Policy & Regulatory Committee Minutes

Agenda Item 5.1.1

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Lynch)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Policy & Regulatory Committee held on Tuesday 21 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/05

Puketirini Management Committee – P&R1808/05

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Main)

THAT Council approves the appointment of Tukaroto Mahuta to the position of Iwi Representative on the Puketirini Management Committee

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/06

Receipt of Hearing Minutes

Agenda Item 5.1.2

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Patterson)

THAT the minutes of a hearing by the Policy & Regulatory Committee held on Tuesday 21 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/07

Submissions on the Proposed Waikato District Council Dangerous, Affected and Insanitary Buildings Policy 2018 – P&R1808/08

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Gibb)

THAT Council adopts the amended Dangerous, Affected and Insanitary Buildings Policy 2018;

AND THAT the Waikato District Council Earthquake Prone, Dangerous and Insanitary Buildings Policy 2006 be revoked on the day the Waikato District Council Dangerous, Affected and Insanitary Building Policy 2018 comes into effect.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/08

Waikato District Council 2018 Representation Review Final Proposal – Approval for Public Notification

Agenda Item 5.1.3

Tabled: Updated statistics for the wards showing the previous and new statistics as shown in the minutes that follow.

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Smith)

THAT the report from the Chief Operating Officer be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/09

Resolved: (Crs Smith/Main)

THAT Council considered submissions received on the Waikato District Council 2018 Representation Review Initial Proposal;

AND FURTHER THAT Council agree, in accordance with section 19N(1)(b) of the Local Electoral Act 2001, to adopt as its Final Proposal for the review of representation arrangements that Council comprise of:

- **1 Mayor elected at large (by the whole district);**
- **13 Councillors elected from 10 wards**
- **That the population of each ward be as follows:**

Ward	Ppln	Cllrs	Average	Fits Rule	% Variation
Awaroa ki Tuakau	12,640	2	6,320	No	11%
Eureka	5,579	1	5,579	Yes	-2%
Hukanui-Waerenga	5,990	1	5,990	Yes	6%
Huntly	10,310	2	5,155	Yes	-9%
Newcastle	5,690	1	5,690	Yes	0%
Ngaruawahia	10,350	2	5,175	Yes	-9%
Onewhero-Te Akau	5,460	1	5,460	Yes	-4%
Raglan	5,790	1	5,790	Yes	2%
Tamahere	5,699	1	5,699	Yes	1%
Whangamarino	6,202	1	6,202	Yes	9%

• 30 Community Board members elected from 5 Community Boards. That the Community Boards be as follows:

Community Board	Members
Huntly Community Board	6
Ngaruawahia Community Board	6
Raglan Community Board	6
Taupiri Community Board	6
Onewhero – Tuakau Community Board	6

AND FURTHER THAT as the Awaroa ki Tuakau Ward will deviate from the +/- 10 % fair representation rule set out in the LEA, this will be an automatic appeal under section 19V(5) of the LEA and the Final Proposal must be referred to the Local Government Commission for determination after the close of the appeals/objections period;

AND FURTHER THAT under section 19N(2) of the LEA that the reasons for Council amending its Initial Proposal be notified as follows:

- Retain Rangiriri in the Whangamarino Ward, from the Huntly Ward (reason – submissions supported this amendment, Rangiriri identifies with Te Kauwhata);
- Retain the village of Mercer in the Awaroa ki Tuakau Ward, from the Whangamarino Ward, noting this now exceeds that +/-10% rule (reason – submissions supported this amendment. Mercer submissions supported one ward and Mercer identifies with the north);
- Retain the Onewhero-Tuakau Community Boards current structure and board area with the inclusion of the extended Tuakau north and west boundary to include the entire meshblocks (reason – submissions supported retention of the Onewhero-Tuakau Community Board);

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the Waikato District Council 2018 Representation Review Final Proposal for a period of appeals/objections to be publically notified on 12 September 2018 and closing 12 October 2018 in accordance with sections 19O and 19P of the Local Electoral Act 2001.

AND FURTHER THAT Council refer any appeals or objections it receives to the Local Government Commission for determination as soon as practicable in accordance with section 19Q and 19V(4) of the Local Electoral Act 2001;

AND FURTHER THAT Council recommends to the incoming Council (to be elected in 2019) to consider to undertake a review of Waikato District's representation arrangements in 2021, prior to the 2022 Local Government elections.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/10

Zero Harm Update

Agenda Item 5.1.4

The Zero Harm Manager took the report as read and answered questions in general on health and safety matters raised, and specifically in relation to:

- reviewing strategic plans
- eye injury
- contractor management workshop
- trialled a H&S plan in the community
- drug & alcohol statistics
- Performance Gaps and Targets statistics are associated with timing in the system.

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Patterson)

THAT the report from the Chief Executive be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/11

Submission on the Waikato Regional Public Transport Plan 2018-2028

Agenda Item 5.1.5

The Planning & Strategy Manager took the report on Council's submission on the Waikato Regional Public Transport Plan as read and provided a brief overview of the submission stating the overall strategic direction fits well in support with Council's vision. The main concern raised in the submission relates to school transport with Council advocating for the retention of school buses provided by the Ministry for Education even if a route is served by public buses.

Discussion was held on the key strategic locations on the corridor for train stations in the short term but it was clarified that the start-passenger rail service is only considering Tuakau and Huntly as stations. However it was agreed that, to inform the longer term thinking on a high-speed rail solution that Te Kauwhata and Pokeno will need to be considered in relation to Drury. It was understood that the feasibility of having a high speed train stopping at a number of towns will need to be assessed and that a final decision on this is subject to a business case on high speed passenger rail.

Resolved: (Crs Bech/Gibb)

THAT the report from the Chief Operating Officer be received;

AND THAT Waikato District Council approves the submission on the Waikato Regional Public Transport Plan 2018-2028.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/12

Feedback on Draft Local Government New Zealand Position on Climate Change Mitigation – For Retrospective Approval
Agenda Item 5.1.6

The Planning & Strategy Manager took the report as read and provided a brief overview of the submission. It was noted during the discussion that the impact of climate change on the business model and assets needs to be assessed as part of Council's future long term plans.

Resolved: (Crs Church/Sedgwick)

THAT the report from the Chief Operating Officer be received;

AND THAT Council's submission on the Draft local Government New Zealand Position on Climate Change Mitigation is retrospectively approved.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/13

Hearings for Proposed District Plan – Appointment of Councillors as Independent Hearings Commissioners
Agenda Item 5.1.7

Cr Fulton, Cr Gibb and Cr Sedgwick declared a conflict of interest and withdrew from the table. They did not take part in discussion or vote on this item.

The Planning & Strategy Manager took the report as read and answered questions from the members.

Resolved: (Crs Smith/Patterson)

THAT the report from the Chief Operating Officer be received;

AND THAT Council agrees that the following Councillors be appointed as independent Hearings Commissioners to the Independent Hearing Panel of the Proposed Waikato District Plan, Stages 1 and 2, pursuant to section 34A(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991:

- **Cr Dynes Fulton**
- **Cr Janet Gibb**
- **Cr Jan Sedgwick;**

AND FURTHER THAT it be noted additional external commissioners will be appointed in due course.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/14

Strategy & Finance Committee

Receipt of Strategy & Finance Committee Minutes

Agenda Item 5.2.1

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Bech)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Strategy & Finance Committee held on Wednesday 22 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/15

Submission on the National Planning Standards (for retrospective approval) S&F1808/04

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Bech)

THAT Council approves retrospectively the Strategy & Finance Committee's submission to the ministry for the Environment on the National Planning Standards.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/16

Private Plan Change 21 Graham Block Development – Operative Date – S&F1806/06

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Patterson)

THAT Council approves that public notice is given, pursuant to clause 20 in Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, that declares the provisions in Plan Change 21 Graham Block Development to the Waikato District Plan (Franklin Section) operative with effect from 10 September 2018.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/17

General Rate Position for the Year Ended 30 June 2018 – S&F1808/08

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Patterson)

THAT Council approves that the 2017/2018 surplus of \$1,831,528 be transferred to the general accounting reserve fund.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/18

Single Stage Business Case for Start-Up Passenger Rail Between Hamilton to Auckland
Agenda Item 5.2.2

The Planning & Strategy Manager took the report as read and provided a brief overview of the report noting that by Council's agreeing to allocate \$50,000 from its LTP allocation for a Tuakau rail facility to Huntly, it will enable Council to access the New Zealand Transport Agency's 75% Funding Assistance Rate for both the Tuakau and Huntly stations. It was also suggested during the discussion that Council should only consider its cost-share contribution for the operational costs of the passenger amenities for both the Huntly and Tuakau stations through its next Annual Plan/Long Term Plan if it is considered affordable.

Resolved: (Crs Church/Lynch)

THAT the report from the General Manager Service Delivery be received;

AND THAT Council confirms Huntly and Tuakau as the preferred location for the stations to service the start-up passenger rail service between Hamilton and Auckland and acknowledges that other stations will be considered at the appropriate time for any future high-speed service between the two cities;

AND FURTHER THAT Council confirms that it supports a basic, affordable yet safe level of service for the Huntly and Tuakau stations for the start-up passenger rail service as per its Long Term Plan funding commitment;

AND FURTHER THAT Council re-allocates \$50,000 from its Long Term Plan funding commitment for the Tuakau rail facility to support the passenger amenities at the Huntly station. Doing this will enable Council to access the New Zealand Transport Agency's 75% Funding Assistance Rate for both the Tuakau and Huntly stations;

AND FURTHER THAT Council will only consider its cost-share contribution for the operational costs of the passenger amenities for both the Huntly and Tuakau stations through its next Annual Plan/Long Term Plan if it is considered affordable.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/19

Infrastructure Committee

Receipt of Infrastructure Committee Minutes
Agenda Item 5.3.1

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Patterson)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Infrastructure Committee held on Tuesday 28 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/20

Community Engagement for The Point Reserve Management Plan - INF1808/05

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Patterson)

THAT Council approves to undertake community consultation in September and October 2018, in accordance with Sections 82 (principles of consultation), of the Local Government Act 2002, and Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/21

Increase to Approved Contract Sums – Realclean and OCS – INF1808/06

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Patterson)

THAT the increase of \$90,981.22 in Approved Contract Sum for Contract 12/013 and the increase of \$189,999.97 in Approved Contract Sum for Contract 14/009 be approved.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/22

56 Great South Road Ngaruawahia – Deed of Lease – INF1808/07

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Lynch)

THAT Council approves that a Deed of Lease of the site situated at 56 Great South Road Ngaruawahia being legally described as part Allotment 31 Town of Newcastle, held in Certificate of Title SA 110/100 be granted to Te Whare Toi O Ngaruawahia – Twin Rivers Community Art Centre Incorporated for a term of 20 years, with a further right of renewal for 15 years on terms consistent with Council’s leasing policy;

AND THAT the Chief Executive be delegated to execute the relevant lease documentation;

AND FURTHER THAT within 12 months of this report, Te Whare Toi O Ngaruawahia – Twin Rivers Community Art Centre Incorporated provide a proposal and project plan for Council consideration and approval thus enabling the release of the LTP project funding budget upon confirmation of the total project funds being secured;

AND FURTHER THAT consideration be given through next year’s Annual Plan Process that a review of the amount and purpose of the Ngaruawahia Community Facility targeted rate be undertaken;

AND FURTHER THAT the amount collected in 2018/19 for the Twin Rivers Art Centre development be included in the amount available from Council for the project.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/23

Waikato District Alliance Contract 14-314 – Increase to Individual Project Variation Amount - INFI808/08

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Smith)

THAT Council approves that the previously approved individual contract variations be increased from \$150,000 to \$1,000,000 and it can be shown that using the WDA will continue to benefit the Council in terms of competitive pricing and a reduction in time and administrative costs.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/24

Rural Intersection Activated Warning Signs - SHIB/Gordonton Road – INFI808/09

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Gibb)

THAT Council approves that the Waikato Speed Limit Bylaw 2011 be amended by approving the installation of Rural Intersection Activated Warning Signs (RIAWS) with a variable speed limit of 60km/h at the intersection of Gordonton and Taylor Road (SHIB).

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/25

New Footpath Proposed Programme 2018/19

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Bech)

THAT Council approves the footpath programme for 2018/19 to allow planning and construction to commence.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/26

Onewhero and Te Akau Water Supply Options - INFI808/11

Resolved: (Crs Fulton/Sedgwick)

THAT Council approves the Waters Team to engage with the affected communities in Onewhero and Te Akau to gauge their appetite for moving on to an individual rainwater tank per property-method of receiving their drinking water.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/27

Discretionary & Funding Committee

Receipt of Discretionary & Funding Committee Minutes
Agenda Item 5.4.1

Resolved: (Crs Lynch/Sedgwick)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Discretionary & Funding Committee held on Monday 13 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/28

COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

Receipt of Onewhero-Tuakau Community Board Minutes
Agenda Item 6.1

Resolved: (Crs Church/Bech)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Onewhero-Tuakau Community Board held on Monday 6 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/29

Receipt of Taupiri Community Board Minutes
Agenda Item 6.2

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Patterson)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Taupiri Community Board held on Monday 13 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/30

Receipt of Raglan Community Board Minutes
Agenda Item 6.3

Resolved: (Cr Thomson/His Worship the Mayor)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Raglan Community Board held on Tuesday 14 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDCI809/31

Receipt of Ngaruawahia Community Board Minutes
Agenda Item 6.4

Resolved: (Crs Patterson/Gibb)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Ngaruawahia Community Board held on Tuesday 14 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/32

Receipt of Huntly Community Board Minutes
Agenda Item 6.5

Resolved: (Cr Lynch/His Worship the Mayor)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Huntly Community Board held on Tuesday 21 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/33

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Receipt of Te Kauwhata Community Committee Minutes
Agenda Item 7.1

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Lynch)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Te Kauwhata Community Committee held on Wednesday 1 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/34

Receipt of Meremere Community Committee Minutes
Agenda Item 7.2

Resolved: (Crs Sedgwick/Church)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Meremere Community Committee held on Thursday 19 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/35

Receipt of Tamahere Community Committee Minutes
Agenda Item 7.3

Resolved: (Crs Bech/Lynch)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Tamahere Community Committee held on Monday 6 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/36

Receipt of Pokeno Community Committee Minutes
Agenda Item 7.4

Resolved: (Crs Church/Henderson)

THAT the minutes of a meeting of the Pokeno Community Committee held on Tuesday 14 August 2018 be received.

CARRIED on the voices

WDC1809/37

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Agenda Item 8

Resolved: (Crs Gibb/Fulton)

THAT the public be excluded from the meeting to enable Council to deliberate and make decisions on the following items of business:

Confirmation of Minutes dated Monday 13 August 2018

Receipt of Minutes:

- **Strategy & Finance Committee dated Wednesday 22 August 2018**
- **Infrastructure Committee dated Tuesday 28 August 2018**

REPORTS

a. Additional Funding Request to Complete the Hopuhopu to Huntly Pipeline - Options

The general subject of the matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 are as follows:

Reason for passing this resolution to withhold exists under: Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution is:

