

Appendix 7 Decision-Making Process

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| December 2015 Presentation to Council Workshop | A presentation to inform Council of the District's susceptibility to a range of natural hazards, the climate change effects on natural hazards and relevant legislative requirements. | This workshop informed council of the relevant statutory framework that guides local authorities. No decisions were required. |
| March 2016 Presentation to Council Workshop | A presentation to inform Council of the effects of climate change and how they are managed under a number of statutes, namely the RMA, the LGA and the CDEMA. | This workshop informed council of the relevant statutory framework that guides local authorities. No decisions were required. |
| 22 August 2017 Presentation to Council Workshop | <p>A presentation to inform Council of relevant legislative requirements under Part 2 sections 6(h) and 7(i) of the RMA, as well as give effect to the WRPS (2016). A literature review and gap analysis was presented that identified gaps and priorities, such as the extent of hazard risk and the spatial areas to which they apply. On this basis the following options were discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue with full plan review without the necessary information for a s32 evaluation. This option would be unlikely to give effect to NZCPS and WRPS. 2. Undertake a rolling review, whereby Natural Hazards and Climate Change are notified at a later date, with the necessary hazard information. 3. Combined approach, whereby some existing and some new provisions are notified, and a variation is undertaken at a later date. This option will still require a high level of information to support the s32 evaluation. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clarified that a full review would be carried out, however the flood modelling underpins a lot of the district. The recommended approach was consistent with a legal opinion from Tompkins Wake to delay work on natural hazards until the missing information was available. The outcome was that a couple of chapters in the Plan review will be delayed. - Councillors were concerned that the supporting information is not good enough and it could take several years to do the required work. What is released must be defensible. However, if the modelling work can be done in 18 months, then the delayed chapters could 'catch up' to the main plan change. - The rolling review option was supported, but a formal council resolution was sought to ratify the approach. |
| 12 February 2018 Strategy & Finance Committee Meeting | The officer report recommends a rolling review approach (provided for by Section 79 (clauses (1)-(3)) of the RMA). This enables the review and notification | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The review commences for future notification; - matters related to the review be presented to the whole Council with the option to delegate matters |

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| | <p>of the Natural Hazards and Climate Change topic when critical technical data becomes available. This approach was discussed and agreed at the council workshop on the 22 August 2017.</p> <p>The report notes that the Council decision to undertake a rolling review will require a media update to explain the implications to the community and identified stakeholders.</p> | <p>to a subcommittee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a rolling review of the Operative Plan be commenced; - the topic concerning climate change and natural hazards be reviewed and notified separate from the rest of the District Plan topics once critical updated technical data is available. |
| <p>28 November 2018 Strategy and Finance Committee Meeting – District Plan Review Stage 2 project update</p> | <p>District Plan Review - Stage 2 Update</p> | <p>The purpose of this report was to provide an update on Stage 2 of the District Plan Review. This included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a broad summary of the Stage 2 project, - an update on the key project milestones including the indicative timeframes for each milestone, and an update on the consultation schedule. |
| <p>18 June 2019 Council Workshops on draft Stage 2 (Natural hazards and climate change)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation of coastal hazards assessment work (Jim Dahm – Eco Nomos Ltd). - Present and explain 1D and 2D 1%AEP flood modelling (Rick Liefing – WRC). - an overview on draft policy framework for stage 2 of the District Plan Review (Kelly Nicolson). - Provide the opportunity for Councillors to ask questions and provide input/feedback. | <p>This was intended as an informative meeting.</p> <p>Questions were raised about the coastal hazards and further clarification was requested about the 1% AEP and what this meant.</p> |
| <p>23 July 2019 Council Workshops on draft Stage 2 (Natural hazards and climate change)</p> | <p>Present draft policy framework for Stage 2 regulatory framework and appropriate controls in mapped hazard areas, and assessment criteria for unmapped hazards.</p> <p>Provide the opportunity for Councillors to ask questions and provide input/feedback.</p> | <p>The Councillors requested further clarification about the defended areas on the maps and requested another meeting to seek resolution.</p> <p>Discussed requirement for 20m setbacks in the Waikato Regional Policy Statement, an agreement was reached to change current 100m setback from stop banks to 50m setback.</p> <p>Discussed other draft rules, including minimum floor levels and additions, garages, accessory buildings, access to properties and the definition of community infrastructure.</p> |

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| <p>24 July 2019 Huntly Mine Hazards Workshop with council staff and RDCL</p> | <p>Presentation from Cam Wylie with respect to Huntly East Mine and Urban Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - brief of assessment, IRBA Report and assessment methods. - Huntly Mine East Development and closure - Geology of the mine - Different mining methods - Long-term behaviour - Way forward | <p>This workshop informed council. No decisions were required.</p> |
| <p>20 August 2019 Council Workshops on draft Stage 2 plan</p> | <p>Discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chapter 13 and Policies 13.1, 13.2, 13.3 of the Waikato Regional Policy Statement. - Risk of subsidence and risk of gas in Mine Hazards Study Area. - Adding additional assessment criteria, matters of discretion and control for liquefaction and other hazards. | <p>Discussed potential risks associated with the mine and further detail around the pillars, gas hazard occurrence, water and monitoring.</p> <p>Council agreed to accept the risk presented.</p> <p>Provisions for minor alterations and additions were discussed, including permissible size thresholds.</p> |
| <p>27 August 2019 Council Workshops on draft Stage 2 plan</p> | <p>Consultation for the Draft Proposed District Plan – Stage 2 Natural Hazards.</p> <p>An overview of coastal hazard assessment, examples of hazard mapping, hazard areas based on hazard type and level of risk, NCPS, WRPS, Draft Objectives and Policies for Climate Change and Coastal Hazards and Draft Coastal Flood Hazards Rules.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion about developing an adaptive management strategy to assist the community. - Development setbacks vary depending on the zone and can be reassessed through variations. - Exclude internal renovations so that they do not require resource consent (capture only increase of GFA as a trigger). - Farm buildings without floors are low value. - Wharves/jetties/boat ramps are developments that typically require WRC consent. - Importance of public feedback and communities directing decisions. - Coastal erosion hazard rules. - Concerns were raised about landowners losing insurance over time. |
| <p>28 August Council Workshops on draft Stage 2 plan</p> | <p>Final draft stage 2 plan change and variation to stage 1</p> | <p>Intended to inform elected members of the changes made following the previous workshop.</p> |
| <p>9 September 2019 Full Council Meeting.</p> | <p>Report - Approval for Release of Draft Proposed District Plan (Stage 2) for Public Consultation (WDC1909/45)</p> | <p>Council approval to release the draft Stage 2 provisions for public consultation and feedback.</p> |

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| 3 February 2020 Policy and Regulatory Committee | District Plan Review – Update on Stage 1 and 2. | The report provided an update for councillors and included a summary of the feedback received on the draft of Stage 2. |
| 11 March 2020 Council Workshop | A presentation to report back on public feedback. | Update and direction on provisions of Proposed District Plan Stage 2 before being finalised for public notification. |
| 18 March 2020 Council Workshop | A presentation to report back on public feedback. | Update and direction on provisions of Proposed District Plan Stage 2 before being finalised for public notification. |
| 20 July 2020 Full Council Meeting (Extraordinary) | Approval of the Proposed Waikato District Plan Stage 2 (Natural Hazards and Climate Change) for Notification. | Council approval to notify Stage 2. |