

Meremere Community Committee Charter

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The Waikato District Council has adopted the Meremere Community Committee Charter as shown below:

1 Purpose

The Meremere Community Committee is set up by the Waikato District Council to deal with local issues on behalf of the Council in the township of Meremere.

2 Roles and Delegations

The role of the Meremere Community Committee shall be as follows:

- (a) The consideration of and reporting on all matters referred to it by the Waikato District Council or any matter of interest or concern to the Meremere Community Committee.
- (b) The overview of road works, water supply, sewerage, stormwater drainage, parks, recreational facilities, community activities and traffic management within the township of Meremere.
- (c) The preparation of an annual submission to the budgetary process of the Waikato District Council for expenditure within the township of Meremere.
- (d) Communication with community organisations and special interest groups within the township of Meremere.
- (e) To manage and administer as it considers appropriate the Meremere Community Halls.
- (f) Any other function and duties as may be delegated from time to time to the Meremere Community Committee by the Waikato District Council.
- (g) Any delegation of authority given to the Meremere Community Committee by the Waikato District Council can be withdrawn by resolution of the Council at any time, without reference to the Community Committee.

- (h) Any sub-delegation of these responsibilities, duties and powers by Community Committee is hereby expressly prohibited pursuant to Clause 32 (3) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002.

3 Membership

- (a) The Meremere Community Committee shall consist of not fewer than three elected members nor more than twelve elected members plus an appointed member from the Waikato District Council.
- (b) The appointed member should be, in the first instance, the Councillor elected to the Whangamarino Ward or such other person that the Council may from time to time appoint.

4 Elections

- (a) The elected members shall be elected on a three-yearly cycle. The elections shall be held by public meeting conducted by the Chief Executive of the Waikato District Council or his/her nominee. The three-yearly election meeting shall be conducted in a manner deemed appropriate by the Chief Executive.
- (b) Any vacancies occurring during the three-year term shall be filled as deemed appropriate by the Council but should follow the general provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 for vacancies occurring in Community Boards.

5 Chairperson

- (a) The Meremere Community Committee shall appoint a Chairperson from within its membership.
- (b) The Meremere Community Committee shall appoint a Deputy Chairperson within its membership.

6 Remuneration

- (a) Remuneration to individual members shall be allocated at the discretion of the Meremere Community Committee, within the amount provided on an annual basis by the Waikato District Council.
- (b) Any remuneration provision provided by the Waikato District Council but not allocated may be used for other projects within the Meremere community at the discretion of the Meremere Community Committee.

7 Meeting Procedures

- (a) The Meremere Community Committee shall follow the general principles of the New Zealand Standards (NZS 9202:2003) Model Standing Orders for Meetings of Local Authorities and other public bodies including Amendment No 1.

- (b) Any variance to the Standing Orders can be decided by simple majority vote of those present at a meeting.
- (c) A quorum of members of the Community Committee shall consist of not less than two members.

8 Abolition of Community Committee

The Meremere Community Committee may be abolished by resolution of the Waikato District Council after consultation with or request from the Meremere Community Committee.