



MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE

FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2015

- Wairoa District Council Chambers -

WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL

MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE

to be held at Wairoa District Council Chambers,
Queen Street, Wairoa

ON FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2015
12.30PM

A G E N D A

E Foster, K Hammond, G Hawkins, P Kelly, S Jury, N Lambert, H Nissen, G Symes, P Whaanga

COUNCILLOR

M Bird

KARAKIA

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REPORT TO:	MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE	
DATE:	11 SEPTEMBER 2015	
SUBJECT:	<u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MĀORI COMMITTEE HELD 21 AUGUST 2014</u>	FILE REF: A 28.01
AUTHOR:	D Tipoki <u>MĀORI RELATIONSHIPS MANAGER</u>	ATTACHMENTS: Nil
RELATED COMMUNITY OUTCOME:	N/A	RELATED COUNCIL ACTIVITY: N/A

PURPOSE:

Attached are the minutes of the Māori Standing Committee held on Friday, 14 August 2015.

Recommended: That the unconfirmed minutes of the Māori Standing Committee held on 14 August 2015 be received.

WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL**MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Maori Standing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Wairoa District Council on Friday, 21 August 2015 at 12.31pm.

PRESENT: G Symes (Chairperson)
E Foster, K Hammond, P Kelly, H Nissen, P Whaanga

COUNCILLORS

M Bird, H Flood

IN ATTENDANCE: C Little (His Worship the Mayor)
F Power (WDC's Chief Executive Officer)
K Tipuna (WDC's Communication Strategist)
D Tipoki (WDC's Maori Relationships Manager)
C McGimpsey (WDC's Governance Advisor & Policy Strategist)
Duane Culshaw (Te Wairoa He Hapori Haumarū)
Angela Smith (Te Wairoa He Hapori Haumarū)
D Doole (WDC's Rates Administration Officer)
R McCracken (WDC's GIS Co-ordinator)
G Waikawa (WDC's Maori Standing Committee Secretary)

KARAKIA

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and was opened with a karakia by Kitea Tipuna.

SUSPENSION OF MODEL STANDING ORDERS:

<u>Resolved:</u>	<i>THAT the Māori Standing Committee suspend Model Standing Orders for Meetings of Local Authorities and Community Boards</i>	G Symes/P Kelly
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APOLOGY

An apology was received from N Lambert.

<u>Resolved:</u>	<i>That an apology was received from N Lambert be accepted.</i>	H Nissen/Cr Flood
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Shane Fleming & Catherine Moreau-Hammond – Rocket Lab

The company is looking to develop a second launch site at Onenui Station, on the southern tip of the Mahia peninsula, on land owned by the Tawapata South Maori Incorporation.

Rocket Lab, which designs small satellite launch systems, has begun consulting with local residents and is preparing to submit a resource consent application.

Shane Fleming of Rocket Lab said they were looking forward to working with the local community and gauging interest in a potential launch site on Mahia peninsula.

Rocket Lab's mission is to remove commercial barriers to space making space accessible by providing frequent and affordable launch opportunities.

Tawapata South Maori Incorporation spokesperson, George Mackey is excited Rocket Lab is considering Onenui Station as an additional site.

Various questions were asked of Mr Fleming and Ms Moreau-Hammond.

Duane Culshaw (Te Wairoa He Hapori Haumarū – Safer Communities) & Angela Smith (Te Wairoa He Hapori Haumarū- Safer Communities)

Mr Culshaw thanked the Maori Standing Committee and presented a presentation.

The presentation showed what is a safe community – place is attracting to live, work & visit (environment without fear, risk or harm or injury), what makes Wairoa unique, Maori and youth – underlying kaupapa.

The Committee asked various questions.

Wairoa District Council's Rates Administration Officer – David Doole

Mr Doole gave a handout to the Committee for Wairoa District Council's Policy for Remission and Postponement of Rates on Maori Freehold Land.

The Policy covered Maori freehold land rates remission – objectives, Criteria – Rates remission on Maori freehold land, Maori freehold land – Whenua Rahui Register – Objectives, Whenua Rahui Register – Criteria, Notification of Decision – Maori freehold land – Whenua Rahui register, Appeal process – Maori freehold land – Whenua Rahui register, Unused Maori freehold land – economic development, Identification off unused Maori freehold land – economic development and Unused Maori freehold land – economic development – application process.

Also attached to the Policy is Liability for Rates – Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and Facts about Maori land.

The Committee discussed at length Maori freehold land.

Russell McCracken – GIS Co-ordinator

The Wairoa District Council's GIS Co-ordinator presented WDC GIS mapping around Waikaremoana. Mr McCracken showed a block of land around Waikaremoana and how the block of land needs to be re-surveyed.

Confirmation of Minutes

MAORI STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 10 JULY 2015

The minutes of the Maori Standing Committee held on 10 July 2015 were presented.

<u>Resolved:</u>	<i>That the minutes of the Maori Standing Committee held on 10 July 2015 were confirmed as correct.</i>	<i>P Whaanga/P Kelly</i>
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K Hammond asked to note his apology and the change to be made.

General Item

MAORI RELATIONSHIPS MANAGER'S REPORT

A 28.01

The Maori Relationships Manager presented his report and reported on amalgamation, Forestry slash and debris hui at Ruawharo Marae and Manager at the Gaiety Theatre.

Minutes of a Special Maori Standing Committee meeting held at Ruawharo Marae on Friday, 10 August 2015 were distributed to the Committee. The Maori Relationship Manager advised the Committee to peruse the minutes and that the Special minutes will be confirmed at the next Maori Standing Committee meeting.

The Committee discussed at length the frustration of the people at Mahia.

Lengthy discussions were had for further engagement with Gisborne District Council to develop a cooperative approach and appropriate controls in relation to the development of plantation forestry operations.

<u>Recommended:</u>	That the Māori Standing Committee request Wairoa District Council's staff continue to engage with Gisborne District Council to develop a cooperative approach and appropriate controls in relation to the development of plantation forestry operations. H Nissen/P Whaanga
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WAITANGI DAY FUND**A 15.05**

The Communication Strategist updated the Committee and he will submit an application to the Commemorating Waitangi Day Fund.

CLOSED: The meeting closed with a karakia by K Tipuna at 2.41pm.

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DATE:	11 SEPTEMBER 2015	
SUBJECT:	MĀORI RELATIONSHIPS MANAGER REPORT FOR 11th SEPTEMBER 2015	FILE REF:
AUTHOR:	David Tipoki	<u>MĀORI RELATIONSHIPS MANAGER</u>
RELATED COMMUNITY OUTCOME:	RELATED COUNCIL ACTIVITY:	
Connected Communities	MLO	
Desirable Lifestyles		
Treasured Environments		

Timatanga

Tena rawa atu tatou i raro i te maru a te Atua.

Update

Amalgamation

As at last Friday 4th September, Hawkes Bay Today report 40% of Wairoa district (about 2209 ballots) have cast their votes. There is more work to do to encourage all eligible voters to either post or hand in their voting forms. According to HB Today's report:-

"Electoral officer Warwick Lampp said at this stage of the ballot, voting is where he expects it to be. I am expecting about 60 per cent of people to vote," he said.

"For council elections we generally see a 50 to 60 per cent turn out, so it's about normal."

Forestry slash and debris hui at Ruawhoro marae

Both Charlotte McGimpsey and myself are currently making efforts to contact and engage KiwiRail into this problem. Once we have achieved that we will be sending another round of invitations out to the relevant parties to consider making a plan to address forestry slash and debris issues. We need to keep in mind that plans should be put into place now, in preparation for the increased forestry harvesting activity within the whole of the Wairoa district commencing and occurring in about five years time.

Waitangi Day 2016 – a Song Festival to celebrate

Spring is upon us, and with it comes new ideas and suggestions. Discussions with Kitea Tipuna indicate that Waitangi Day weekend next year might be a better time to hold a song festival; we would value your feedback and I have attached the application form to stimulate thoughts. Closing date is in two weeks.

Lincoln University hub

Another round of meetings with Lincoln University is timed to occur at the end of this month in an attempt to further shore up and solidify the activities needed to see this project come to fruition.

If one were to step back and look at the bigger picture, with all the activity and pending projects happening in Te Wairoa one must surely get a sense of excitement. State Highway 38, Rocket Lab, KiwiRail, Lincoln, Forestry harvesting in five years time, Te Tira Whakaemi/PSGE and the Treaty Settlement – all these things combined augers for a productive district economy and forward movement. It is my sincere hope that we as a council committee can lead our people towards this future and keep within those values we hold dear, ara ko te tika me te pono me te aroha.

Verbal Report

At the time of collating this report, there was nothing further to add, however, if anything arises after the agenda has been received, the Maori Relationships Manager will report verbally on any matter raised.

Recommended: That the report be received

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'David Tipoki', with some scribbles above it.

David Tipoki

MĀORI RELATIONSHIPS MANAGER