



## Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Council

9.05am Tuesday 25 August 2015 held in the Council Chamber, Wairoa District Council, Coronation Square, Wairoa.

**Present:** His Worship the Mayor Mr C Little (Chairman)

Councillors: D Eaglesome-Karekare (Deputy Mayor), M Bird, B Cairns, H Flood, J Harker, M Johansen.

G Symes (Māori Standing Committee Representative)  
F Power (Chief Executive Officer)  
A Morton (Chief Financial Officer)  
J Baty (Corporate Services Manager)  
H Montgomery (Regulatory Manager)  
Jamie Cox (Engineering Manager)  
K Tipuna (Communications Strategist)

### Procedural Items

#### 1. Civic Prayer

The civic prayer was given by Mr Symes (Māori Standing Committee Representative)

#### 2. Apologies for absence

None

#### 3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None

#### 4. Chairman's Announcements

None

#### 5. Items of Urgent Business not on the Agenda

- Receipt of unconfirmed minutes of the Māori Standing Committee  
Cnr M Bird
  - Swan memorial bench
  - Apprenticeships – Youth Futures
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- State Highway 2 (Napier to Wairoa) upgrade

## 6. Public Participation

Mr G Preston spoke on Item 11 – Code of Conduct

## 7. Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting

<p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b>      <i>That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 July 2015 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Flood/Eaglesome-Karekare</i></b></p>
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Amendments:

- Deletion of Cnr Cairns from the list of those present

<p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b>      <i>That the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 5 August 2015 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Eaglesome-Karekare/Harker</i></b></p>
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## 8. Council Action Sheet

Councillors discussed the Action Sheet.

## 9. Chief Executive's Update Report

The Chief Executive Officer presented his report and gave verbal updates on matters that had arisen since the publication of the agenda.

Councillor Cairns requested that documents related to the item 'Negotiations with Te Tira Whakaemi o Te Wairoa' be resent to Councillors.

<p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b>      <i>That:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <i>The report be received.</i></li> <li>2) <i>Authority to finalise the text of (a) the proposed Relationship Agreement between WDC, HBRC and Te Tira Whakaemi o Te Wairoa and (b) the proposal to create a Reserves Board, be delegated to the Mayor and CEO.</i></li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Cairns/Harker</i></b></p>
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## 10. Draft Policy on Elected Members' Allowances and Recovery of Expenses

The Corporate Services Manager presented the report and noted one correction Pg.47, item 2.1.5 – all references to 3548 should be changed to 5000.

<b><u>Resolved:</u></b>	<p><i>That:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Council receives the report.</i></li> <li>2. <i>Council adopts the Policy on Elected Members' Allowances and Recovery of Expenses with amendments if necessary and submits to the Remuneration Authority for approval.</i></li> </ol> <p><b><i>NB:</i></b> <i>It is possible that the Remuneration Authority may require amendments.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Flood/Eaglesome-Karekare</i></b></p>
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### **11. Code of Conduct**

The Chief Executive Officer presented his report.

Councillors discussed the contents of the report.

Councillor Cairns requested an amendment to the reference to the Deputy Mayor (pg.54) to align with current legislation.

<b><u>Resolved:</u></b>	<p><i>That:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Council approves the amendments to the Code of Conduct, including the references to the Deputy Mayor being amended to align to current legislation.</i></li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Eaglesome-Karekare/Flood</i></b></p>
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### **12. Submission to the Ministry of Health**

The Chief Executive Officer presented the report.

Councillors discussed the report and requested that a draft submission be prepared for consideration at the September 8 Council Forum and that any final feedback be incorporated before the submission deadline of September 11.

<b><u>Resolved:</u></b>	<p><i>That Council formulates a submission on the draft Strategy to Prevent and Minimise Gambling Harm 2016/2017, and that the draft submission be considered at the September 8 Council Forum.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b><i>Harker/Johansen</i></b></p>
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### **13. Representation Review**

The Corporate Services Manager presented his report.

Councillors discussed the report.

<b><u>Resolved:</u></b>	<p><i>That:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Council receives the report.</i></li> </ol>
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2. *The Wairoa District Council resolves as its final proposal for the 2015 representation arrangements review that:*
  - a. *Councillors be elected by electors of the district as a whole and that the district is not divided into wards (being the status quo);*
  - b. *the number of Councillors to be elected is 6, plus the Mayor (being the status quo);*
  - c. *no communities or community boards be set up (being the status quo).*
3. *Council enter into the public notification process as prescribed in the Local Electoral Act 2001.*

***Eaglesome-Karekare/Johansen***

**14. Development of a joint business case: Opportunities from increased investment in Te Urewera Road**

The Chief Executive presented his report. The Engineering Manager also spoke to the report.

Councillors discussed the report. Councillors requested a letter be sent to the Te Urewera Rainforest Route (TURR) Group thanking them for their contributions to date.

**Resolved:** *That Council commit to being part of this collaborative project with Whakatane District Council, NZTA and Tūhoe Te Uru Taumatua and endorse the signing of the draft letter.*

***Eaglesome-Karekare/Harker***

**15. LATE ITEM: Receipt of Unconfirmed Minutes of the Māori Standing Committee**

**Resolved:** *That the unconfirmed minutes of the Māori Standing Committee meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August be received.*

***Eaglesome-Karekare/Flood***

**16. LATE ITEM: Receipt of Recommendation from the Maori Standing Committee**

Councillors discussed the recommendation and requested that the HBRC be included.

Councillors also requested a full report of the forestry slash situation now affecting Mahia and that Council seek to strengthen their response to advocate on behalf of affected communities.

**Resolved:** *That the Māori Standing Committee request Wairoa District Council's staff*

*continue to engage with Gisborne District Council and the Hawke's Bay Regional Council to develop a cooperative approach and appropriate controls in relation to the development of plantation forestry operations.*

***Flood/Harker***

### **17. LATE ITEM: Various items from Councillor Bird**

- a. Swan Memorial Bench
- b. Apprenticeships – Youth Futures
- c. State Highway 2 (Napier to Wairoa) upgrade

Councillors discussed the matters raised by Councillor Bird

### **18. Resolution to Exclude the Public**

**Resolved:** That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

1. Confidential Minutes of Previous Council Meeting
2. Confidential Action Sheet
3. Confidential items for release

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded; the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<b>General subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under section 48(1) to the passing of this resolution</b>
Confidential Minutes of Previous Council Meeting	That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information where the withholding of the information is necessary to:  Section 7 (2) (a) protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons (h) enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial	48(1)(a) That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist:  (i) where the local authority is named or specified in the Schedule 1 to this Act, under section 6 or section 7 (except section 7(2)(f)(i)) [of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987]

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	Confidential Action Sheet	Section 7 (2) (a) protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons (h) enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	(i) where the local authority is named or specified in the Schedule 1 to this Act, under section 6 or section 7 (except section 7(2)(f)(i)) [of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987]
	Confidential items for release	Section 7 (2) (h) enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities	(i) where the local authority is named or specified in the Schedule 1 to this Act, under section 6 or section 7 (except section 7(2)(f)(i)) [of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987]

***Flood/Eaglesome-Karekare***

**PUBLIC EXCLUDED: 10.58am**

**RE-ADMITTED: 11.27am**

There being no further General Business His Worship the Mayor declared the meeting closed.

**CLOSED:** The meeting closed at **11.27am.**

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Chair